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Report Highlights:

On March 24, 2010, Korea released its CY2011 Market Access Quota (MAQ) updates, which cover a variety of agricultural commodities ranging from breeding chicken and swine to food grade soybeans. These MAQs are used to minimize local price fluctuations directly due to domestic supply shortages.

General Information:

On March 24, 2010, the Ministry of Strategy and Finance (MOSF) published the CY 2011 Market Access Quota (MAQ) updates, which cover a variety of agricultural commodities ranging from breeding chicken and swine to food grade soybeans. The purpose of these revisions is to ensure sufficient within quota access for specific products in order to minimize spikes in local food and feed prices. The new MAQs are effective as of March 24, 2010.

There are some MAQs that are worth highlighting. First, the MAQ for food grade soybeans has been increased to 326,805 metric tons, which is 141,018 metric tons higher than its WTO commitment. Imports of U.S. processing soybeans reached \$129 million in 2010. In addition to processing soybeans, the MAQs for feed preparations and fresh potatoes are the next largest in terms of U.S. sales with imports last year reaching \$12 million and \$8 million, respectively.

Other notable changes were the increased MAQs for breeding swine and poultry. The MAQ for breeding swine was expanded from 1,850 to 5,000 to recover reduced swine supply caused by the mass culling in the wake of the of a foot and mouth disease (FMD) outbreak last November. Korea imported \$1.2 million worth of U.S. breeding swine in 2010. The MAQ for breeding poultry for laying moved up slightly from last year to 661,000 birds. Imports of U.S. breeding poultry totaled \$3.6 million in 2010.

Commodities Subject to Current Market Access Quota (WTO Appendix 1-B) Increases Effective, March 24, 2011

HS Code	Commodity	Tariff Rate (%)		CMA for CY 2011 (Metric tons)		
		In-quota	Out-of-quota	Current (A)	Increase (B)	Total (A+B)
0103.10.0000	Live Swine (Pure-bred breeding animals)	0	18	1,850 Heads	3,150 Heads	5,000 Heads
0105.11.1000	Live Chicken (Pure-bred breeding animals) weighing not more than 185g	0	9	461,000 birds	200,000 birds	661,000 birds
0105.94.1000	Live Chicken (Pure-bred breeding animals) weighing more than 185g	0	9			
0701.90.0000	Potatoes, fresh or chilled (exclude for seed)	30	304	18,810	6,890	25,700
0712.90.2091	Sweet corn for seeds	0	370	247	323	570
1005.10.0000	Corn for seed	0	328			
0713.31.1000	Mung bean (for seed only)	30	607.5	14,694	11,406	26,100
0713.31.9000	Other mung bean (excluding for seed)	30	607.5			
0713.32.1000	Red beans (for seed only)	30	420.8			
0713.32.9000	Other red beans (excluding for seed)	30	420.8			
0709.60.1000	Sweet peppers	50	270% or 6,210 won/kg, which is greater	7,185	3,000	10,185
0709.60.9000	Sweet peppers, other	50				
0711.90.5091	Fruits of the genus capsicum or of the genus pimenta	50				
0904.20.1000	Fruits of the genus capsicum or of the genus pimenta, Neither crushed	50				

	nor ground					
0904.20.2000	Fruits of the genus capsicum or of the genus pimenta, Crushed or ground	50				
1108.11.0000	Wheat starch	8	50.9	227.4	3,202	3,429.4
1108.19.9000	Other starches (excluding for wheat, corn, potato, manioc and sweet potato)	8	800.3			
1108.20.0000	Inulin	8	800.3			
1108.13.0000	Potato starch	8	455	45,692	136,208	181,900
3505.10.3000	Roasted starch	8	385.7			
3505.10.4010	Pre-gelatinised or swelling starch (for food)	8	385.7			
3505.10.4090	Pre-gelatinised or swelling starch (for other)	8	385.7			
3505.10.5010	Etherified or esterified starches (for food)	8	385.7			
3505.10.5090	Etherified or esterified starches (for other)	8	385.7			
3505.10.9010	Other modified starches (soluble starch, roasted, pre-gelatinised or swelling, etherified or esterified starches.	8	385.7			
3505.10.9090	Other modified starches (soluble starch, roasted, pre-gelatinised or swelling, etherified or esterified starches.	8	385.7			
3505.20.1000	Starch glues	8	201.2			
3505.20.2000	Dextrin glues	8	201.2			
3505.20.9000	Other glues (excluding starch glues and dextrin glues)	8	201.2			
1108.19.1000	Sweet potato starch	11	241.2	4,376	30,044	34,420
1201.00.9010	Soybean (whether or not broken, excluding for soy bean oil and oil cake)	5	487% or 956 won/kg, whichever is greater	185,787	141,018	326,805
1201.00.9090	Soybean (whether or not broken, excluding for soy bean oil and oil cake)	5				
1207.40.0000	Sesame seed	40	630% or 6,660 won/kg, which is greater	6,731	74,969	81,700
2309.90.2010	Supplementary feeds, chiefly on the basis of inorganic substances or minerals (excluding chiefly on the basis of micro-minerals)	5	50.6	4,171.4	105,828.6	110,000
2309.90.2020	Supplementary feeds (chiefly on the basis of flavorings)	5	50.6			
2309.90.2099	Other supplementary feeds	5	50.6			
2309.90.9000	Other preparations of a kind used in animal feeding (excluding feed for dog or cat, mixed feeds and supplementary feeds or feed additives)	5	50.6			

Source: The Ministry of Strategy and Finance (MOSF)

