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Mexico Announces Three States Free of Poultry Salmonella

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Report Highlights:

The Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fishery and Food (SAGARPA) has declared three Mexican states free of poultry salmonella (PS). With the notification of disease-free status for these three states, the free transit and trade in poultry products will help this sector, which is valued at 451 million dollars [1] in those three States.

^[1] Exchange rate, 1 dollar = 13.5 pesos

General Information:

Introduction: This report summarizes a Notice from the Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fishery and Food declaring three Mexican States free from Poultry Salmonella, published in Mexico's *Diario Oficial*

(Federal Register) on September 8, 2009.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a cursory review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

Title: Notice that Declares the States of Mexico, Oaxaca and the District Federal Free of Poultry Salmonella (*S. gallinarum*) (PS).

Important Dates

1. Publication Date: September 8, 2009
2. Enforcement Date: September 9, 2009

FAS/Mexico's Executive Summary: The Secretariat of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fishery and Food (SAGARPA) published in the *Diario Oficial* (Federal Register) on September 8, 2009, a notice which reported the efforts of the GOM and the State Governments of Mexico, Oaxaca and District Federal to develop and implement sanitary measures for the diagnosis, control, eradication and epidemiology surveillance of PS. Through epidemiological sampling of 100 percent of all poultry farm in production and a representative sample of the backyard production as prescribed in NOM-005-ZOO-1993, "Domestic Campaign against Poultry Salmonella", the surveillance activities confirmed the absence of the PS etiological agent. Thus, SAGARPA officially declared Mexico, Oaxaca and The Federal District free of PS. Technically with the addition of these three States, the entire country is free of PS; however, SAGARPA has yet to declare all of Mexico free of PS.

Comment: To increase the profitability of the Mexican poultry sector, the sector has been working with the GOM to increase disease-free areas within Mexico, eliminate internal barriers for the domestic market, and expand opportunities for new export markets for Mexican poultry products. Even with this declaration, the GOM has not yet officially declared the country free of PS. Furthermore, obtaining international acceptance of this sanitary status will take some time. For the domestic market, however, this will help interstate trade and transit of Mexican poultry products.

Relevant Reports Submitted by FAS/Mexico City

MX9034: Mexico Bans Poultry Imports from Two Tennessee Counties.

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/Mexico%20Bans%20Poultry%20Imports%20from%20Two%20Tennessee%20Counties%20_Mexico_Mexico_5-21-2009.pdf

MX9057: Poultry and Products Annual

http://gain.fas.usda.gov/Recent%20GAIN%20Publications/POULTRY%20AND%20PRODUCTS%20ANNUAL_Mexico_Mexico_9-1-2009.pdf

MX9062 Mexico Bans Poultry Imports from a County in Minnesota