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## Specific Issues of Interest to the CCB:

### China Updates Format for Submitting Fresh Fruit Facility Registration

- China's General Administration of Customs (GACC) Department of Animal and Plant Quarantine (DAPQ) has provided U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) and Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) counterparts in China with a new format for the submission of facility registration lists for commodities including fresh fruit.
- According to a recent USDA <u>GAIN report</u>, the new format includes additional mandatory information fields not currently captured by USDA submissions and a list of voluntary fields. The report includes a copy of the DAPQ template and registration lists.
- FAS China is reportedly seeking additional information about the changes, including rationale for the additional requirements.

## **GENERAL ISSUES OF INTEREST TO THE CCB:**

### China Opens Consultation on Labeling of Prepackaged Foods Standard

- On January 19, the Food Safety Standards, Monitoring and Evaluation Department of China's National Health Commission released <u>Food Standard</u> <u>Secretariat Announcement [2024] No. 1</u> (in Chinese), soliciting comments on four draft standards including a revision to GB 7718-2011 General Rules for Labeling of Prepackaged Foods.
- The draft GB standard is not available from the announcement. BCI has reached out to the U.S. Embassy to obtain a copy of the draft standard.
- Comments are due by February 29, 2024, and may be submitted online through China's <u>National Food Safety Standard Management Information System</u>.

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