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NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATION

LEAF SERVICES

INSPECTION PROCEDURES AND INSPECTION FEES FOR GRAINS AND GRAIN PRODUCTS: INVITATION FOR COMMENTS

Leaf Services has been designated as an assignee in terms of section 2(3)(a) of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act No.119 of 1990) ("APS Act") to apply sections 3(1)(a) and (b), 3A(1), 4A(1)(a), 7 and 8 of the said Act with respect to regulated grains and grain products. In line with its designated mandate, Leaf Services will commence inspections from 1 April 2021.

All affected stakeholders are hereby invited to comment on the proposed inspection procedures and inspection fees, by no later than **30 days from the date of publication of this notice**. Written comments/representations should be directed by email to leon@llagric.co.za.

Please note that 'affected stakeholders' include all food business operators in the grains and grain products industries who:

- 1. Perform grading of raw grains reflected in the table below in terms of the regulations published in terms of the APS Act; and/or
- 2. Produce, pack, process or trade in grain products reflected in the table below and which are regulated in terms of the APS Act .

Proposed inspection procedures

Details regarding the proposed inspection methodologies are available at: <u>www.leafservices.co.za/methodology</u>.html

Proposed inspection fees

The proposed inspection fees are set out in the table below. The inspection fees in respect of grain products will be levied on the volume of products sold monthly. The inspection fees in respect of grains will be levied on the volumes of products delivered monthly for commercial purposes, including tonnages delivered for storage.

Grains and grain products	Rate per ton (Rand)	Rate per loaf (Rand)
Canola	4.00*	
Dry Beans	4.00*	
Ground nuts	4.00*	
Maize	4.00*	
Malting barley	4.00*	
Sorghum	4.00*	
Soya Beans	4.00*	
Sunflower seeds	4.00*	
Wheat (all types)	4.00*	
Rice	4.00	
Maize products	6.00	
Wheat products (excl	6.00	
bread)		
Bread (Loaf)		0.04

* Where grading is done on intake and dispatch of raw grains, the fee will be 50% on receipt and 50% on dispatch.

[•] All proposed levies exclude Value Added Tax (VAT)