§ 319.55–6 Inspection and disinfection at port of arrival.

(a) Paddy rice. All importations of seed or paddy rice from Mexico shall be subject, as a condition of entry, to such inspection or disinfection in accordance with part 305 of this chapter, or both, at the port of arrival, as shall be required by the inspector, and to the delivery to the collector of customs by the inspector of a written notice that the seed or paddy rice has been inspected and found to be apparently free from plant diseases and insect pests or that the required treatment has been given. Should any shipment of such seed or paddy rice be found to be so infested with insect pests or infected with plant diseases that, in the judgment of the inspector, it cannot be cleaned by disinfection or other treatment in accordance with part 305 of this chapter, the entire shipment may be refused entry.

(b) Rice straw and rice hulls. (1) As a condition of entry, rice straw and rice hulls shall be subject to inspection and to treatment in accordance with part 305 of this chapter at the port of arrival, under the supervision of the inspector, by methods and at plants approved by the Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs. (2) If, in the judgment of the inspector, a shipment is not so bagged, baled, or wrapped, it shall be reconditioned at the expense of the permittee or entry may be refused.

§ 319.55–7 Importations by mail.

Sections 319.55–2 to 319.55–6, inclusive, provide for importations otherwise than through the mails. Importations of seed or paddy rice from Mexico, and of rice straw and rice hulls from all foreign countries and localities, may be made by mail, Provided:

(a) That a permit has been issued for the importation in accordance with §§319.55–2, 319.55–4, and (b) That each shipment is accompanied from the foreign mailing point by a special mailing tag directing the package to a Plant Protection and Quarantine Programs inspection station for inspection and, if necessary, for treatment, before being released to the mails for delivery to the importer, unless entry is refused in accordance with the provisions of