U.S. GRAIN GRADING & INSPECTION
A Multi-Step Process to Ensure Quality

LOAD VESSEL

ON-FARM HARVEST & STORAGE
Conducted upon arrival at off-farm storage

GRADING & SAMPLING

WEIGHING
Conducted via electronic scales while loading by FGIS

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CERTIFICATION
Export documents prepared and phytosanitary certificate issued by AHPIS per contract specs and based on intended destination requirements

STOWAGE EXAMINATION
Inspection of the empty vessel by USDA and GIPSA before docking

USDA- U.S. Department of Agriculture
APHIS- Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, a division of USDA
FGIS- Federal Grain Inspection Service, a division of USDA
GIPSA - Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

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