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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Health Canada
- **3.** Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Lactase from *Bacillus subtilis* CB108 (ICS Codes: 67.220.20)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Notice of Modification to the List of Permitted Food Enzymes to Enable the Use of Lactase from Bacillus subtilis CB108 in Lactose-Reducing Enzyme Preparations and Certain Dairy Foods Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0118. Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 4 and 4

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6. Description of content: Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a detailed safety assessment of a food additive submission seeking approval for the use of lactase from *Bacillus subtilis* CB108 in the manufacture of lactose-reducing enzyme preparations and certain standardized and unstandardized dairy foods.

As no safety concerns were raised through Health Canada's assessment, the Department has enabled the use of the food additive lactase from *Bacillus subtilis* CB108 described in the information document below by updating the *List of Permitted Food Enzymes*, effective 6 June 2018.

The purpose of this communication is to publically announce the Department's decision in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for any inquiries or for those wishing to submit any new scientific information relevant to the safety of this food additive.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (*e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text*):
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (*e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number*):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

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[X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]Yes []No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:

Health Canada's Food and Nutrition – "Public Involvement and Partnerships" Website, posted 6 June 2018:

<u>https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships.html</u> (English) <u>https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats.html</u> (French) (available in English and French)

10. Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): 6 June 2018

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):

- **11.** Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*: 6 June 2018
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 19 August 2018

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

The "Notice of Modification to the *List of Permitted Food Enzymes* to Enable the Use of Lactase from *Bacillus subtilis* CB108 in Lactose-Reducing Enzyme Preparations and Certain Dairy Foods - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0118" is available through the following weblink:

https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvementpartnerships/modification-permitted-enzymes-lactase-enabled-enzyme-preparationscertain-dairy-foods.html (English) https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-

nttps://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-publicpartenariats/modification-autorises-enzymes-lactase-autorisee-produits-enzymatiqueslaitiers.html (French)

or requested from:

Canada's SPS & TBT Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Global Affairs Canada Technical Barriers and Regulations Division 111 Sussex Drive Ottawa, ON, K1A 0G2 Canada Tel: +(343) 203 4273 Fax: +(613) 943 0346 E-mail: enquirypoint@international.gc.ca