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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): Protein-glutaminase (ICS Code: 67.220.20)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [X] All trading partners
 - [X] All trading partners

[] Specific regions or countries:

- 5. Title of the notified document: Notice of Health Canada's Proposal to Enable the Use of Protein-glutaminase from Chryseobacterium proteolyticum AE-PG as a Food Enzyme in Various Standardized and Unstandardized Foods Reference Number: NOP/ADP-0030. Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 5 and 6
- 6. Description of content: The Federal Government completed a detailed safety assessment of a food additive submission seeking approval for the use of the food enzyme protein-glutaminase from Chryseobacterium proteolyticum AE-PG in various standardized and unstandardized foods. The results of Health Canada's evaluation of available scientific data support the safety and efficacy of protein-glutaminase from C. proteolyticum AE-PG when used for these purposes. Therefore, Health Canada intends to modify the *List of Permitted Food Enzymes* (https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/food-safety/food-additives/lists-permitted/5-enzymes.html) as described in the information document referenced below.

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

- 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):
 - [X] None

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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 10 October 2018 (available in English and French):

<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)

10. Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): 10 October 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*): 10 October 2018
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 23 December 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 Health Canada's Proposal to Enable the Use of Protein-glutaminase from Chryseobacterium proteolyticum AE-PG as a Food Enzyme in Various Standardized and Unstandardized Foods - Reference Number: NOP/ADP-0030" is available through the following weblink:

https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvementpartnerships/protein-glutaminase-enzyme-foods/information-document.html (English) https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-publicpartenariats/proteine-glutaminase-enzyme-alimentaire/document-information.html (French)

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