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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): Cellulose, powdered in horseradish and mustard powder (ICS Code: 67.220)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Health Canada's Notice of Modification to the List of Permitted Food Additives with Other Accepted Uses to Enable the Use of Cellulose, Powdered in Horseradish and Mustard Powder (Wasabi-like Powder) - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0135. Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 4
6. Description of content: Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a premarket safety assessment of a food additive submission seeking approval for the use of powdered cellulose as a bulking and texturizing agent in horseradish and mustard powder (wasabi-like powder). Powdered cellulose is already permitted for use in Canada as an anticaking agent and a bulking agent in a variety of standardized and unstandardized foods. The results of the premarket assessment support the safety of powdered cellulose for its requested uses. Consequently, Health Canada has enabled the use of cellulose, powdered described in the information document below by modifying the List of Permitted Food Additives with Other Accepted Uses (https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/food-safety/food-additives/lists-permitted/8-other-accepted-uses.html), effective 5 July 2019. 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: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):

<p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Health Canada's Food and Nutrition - "Public Involvement and Partnerships" Website, posted 5 July 2019 (available in English and French):</p> <p>https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships.html (English)</p> <p>https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats.html (French)</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 5 July 2019</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 5 July 2019</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 18 September 2019</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>The "Health Canada's Notice of Modification to the List of Permitted Food Additives with Other Accepted Uses to Enable the Use of Cellulose, Powdered in Horseradish and Mustard Powder (Wasabi-like Powder) - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0135" is available on:</p> <p>https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/modification-additives-cellulose-horseradish-mustard-powder.html (English)</p> <p>https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/modification-additifs-cellulose-raifort-moutarde-poudre.html (French)</p> <p>Canada's 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: enquiry@international.gc.ca</p>