



**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>CANADA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Health Canada
<b>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):</b> L-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine for use in supplemented foods as a supplemental source of choline
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Notice of proposal to enable the use of L-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine in as a supplemental ingredient in foods. <b>Language(s):</b> English and French. <b>Number of pages:</b> 6
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Health Canada's Food Directorate has assessed L-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine for use in supplemented foods. This ingredient was previously identified by the Food Directorate for further assessment since it was an ingredient that was present in product(s) that were eligible to transition to the food regulatory framework, from the natural health products framework, under Temporary Marketing Authorizations.  The Food Directorate concluded that information related to the safety of L-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine supports its safe use in supplemented foods as a source of supplemental choline provided the levels of use do not exceed the previously established maximum levels for choline, and that certain other labelling requirements are met; as set out in the information document. Therefore, Health Canada proposes to enable the use of L-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine as a source of supplemental choline by modifying the choline entry in the <i>List of Permitted Supplemental Ingredients</i> .
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b>

<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>	
9.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>  Health Canada's Food and Nutrition – 'Public Involvement and Partnerships' Website, posted 17 April 2023 (available in English and French):  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships.html</a> (English)  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats.html">https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats.html</a> (French)</p>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> The proposed source of supplemental choline will be legally enabled once published in Health Canada's <i>List of permitted supplemental ingredients</i> (<a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/supplemented-foods/technical-documents/list-permitted-food-ingredients.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/supplemented-foods/technical-documents/list-permitted-food-ingredients.html</a>).</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b></p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> The supplemental ingredient modification noted in this document comes into force the day they are made to the <i>List of permitted supplemental ingredients</i> (<a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/supplemented-foods/technical-documents/list-permitted-food-ingredients.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/supplemented-foods/technical-documents/list-permitted-food-ingredients.html</a>).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 1 July 2023</p> <p><b>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:</b></p>
13.	<p><b>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:</b></p> <p>The "Notice of proposal to enable the use of alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine in supplemented foods" is available through the following weblink:  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/notice-proposal-enable-use-l-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine-supplemental-ingredient-foods.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/notice-proposal-enable-use-l-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine-supplemental-ingredient-foods.html</a> (English)  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/avis-proposition-visant-permettre-utilisation-l-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine-ingredient-supplementaire-aliments.html">https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/avis-proposition-visant-permettre-utilisation-l-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine-ingredient-supplementaire-aliments.html</a> (French)</p> <p>Canada's Notification Authority and Enquiry Point  Technical Barriers and Regulations Division  Global Affairs Canada  111 Sussex Drive  Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0G2  Canada  Tel: +(343) 203 4273  Fax: +(613) 943 0346  E-mail: <a href="mailto:enquiry@international.gc.ca">enquiry@international.gc.ca</a></p>