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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

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

If applicable, name of local government involved: -

- 2. Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (Thai FDA)
- 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): Food Additives (ICS Code(s): 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: Draft Ministry of Public Health Notification, No. ... B.E. (....) entitled "Food Additives (No.5)". Language(s): Thai and English. Number of pages: 629 and 678

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/THA/18 1496 00 e.pdf

6. Description of content: The Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) considered that it was appropriate to revise the detail of maximum use levels permitted for food additives:

Clause 1 – The annex I and annex II of the Notification of the Ministry of Public Health No. 381 B.E. 2559 (2016), Re: Food Additives (No.4), shall be repealed and replaced with the annex I and annex II of this Notification.

Clause 2 – Clause 5 of the Notification of the Ministry of Public Health No. 381 B.E. 2559 (2016), Re: Food Additives (No.4) shall be repealed.

Clause 3 – Manufacturers or Importers of Foods, which food additive contained in such food has been approved prior to this Notification comes into force and the food additive is different from the annex of this notification, shall comply with this Notification, as the case may be, as follows:

- The food product that used food additives which the provisions is adopted in B.E. 2559 (2016) according to the annex I of this Notification shall comply with this Notification within 2 years as from the date of the Notification of the Ministry of Public Health No. 381 B.E. 2559 (2016), Re: Food Additives (No.4) comes into force.
- 2) The food product that used food additives which the provisions is adopted in B.E. 2561 (2018) according to the annex I of this Notification shall comply with this Notification within 2 years as from the date of this Notification comes into force.

Clause 4 – This notification shall come into force as from the day following date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

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): [] [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: Notification of the Ministry of Public Health No. 381 B.E. 2559 (2016), entitled Food Additives (No.4) (available in Thai) 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or 11. (dd/mm/yy): On the date after being notified in the Official Gazette. [] Trade facilitating measure 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 19 May 2018 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS) 50 Phaholyothin Road, Ladyao Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900 Thailand Tel: +(662) 561 4024 Fax: +(662) 561 4034 E-mail: spsthailand@gmail.com Website: http://www.acfs.go.th 13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards (ACFS) 50 Phaholyothin Road, Ladyao Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900 Thailand Tel: +(662) 561 4024 Fax: +(662) 561 4034 E-mail: spsthailand@gmail.com Website: http://www.acfs.go.th