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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 19 December 2023, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the United States of America.

Revocation of Uses of Partially Hydrogenated Oils in Foods; Direct Final Rule; Confirmation of Effective Date

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is confirming the effective date of 22 December 2023, for the final rule that appeared in the Federal Register of 9 August 2023. The direct final rule amends our regulations to no longer provide for the use of partially hydrogenated oils (PHOs) in food given our determination that PHOs are no longer generally recognized as safe (GRAS). The rule also revokes prior sanctions (i.e., pre-1958 authorization of certain uses) for the use of PHOs in margarine, shortening, and bread, rolls, and buns based on our conclusion that these uses of PHOs may be injurious to health. This document confirms the effective date of the direct final rule.

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2023-12-14/pdf/2023-27506.pdf>
https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/USA/23_14747_00_e.pdf

This addendum concerns a:

- Modification of final date for comments
- Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation
- Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation
- Withdrawal of proposed regulation
- Change in proposed date of adoption, publication or date of entry into force
- Other:

Comment period: (If the addendum extends the scope of the previously notified measure in terms of products and/or potentially affected Members, a new deadline for receipt of comments should be provided, normally of at least 60 calendar days. Under other circumstances, such as extension of originally announced final date for comments, the comment period provided in the addendum may vary.)

- Sixty days from the date of circulation of the addendum to the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): The effective date of 22 December 2023, for the direct final rule published in the Federal Register of 9 August 2023 (88 FR 53764) is confirmed.

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

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