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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

### *Addendum*

The following communication, received on 3 February 2020, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the United States of America.

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#### Food Additive Regulations; Synthetic Flavoring Agents and Adjuvants; Confirmation of Effective Date

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is responding to the submission styled as an objection submitted by Earthjustice on behalf of Breast Cancer Prevention Partners, Center for Environmental Health, Center for Food Safety, Center for Science in the Public Interest, Environmental Defense Fund, Environmental Working Group, and the Natural Resources Defense Council, on the final rule that amended the food additive regulations to no longer authorize the use of benzophenone, ethyl acrylate, eugenyl methyl ether, myrcene, pulegone, and pyridine as synthetic flavoring substances for use in food.

The final rule also amended the food additive regulations to no longer provide for the use of benzophenone as a plasticizer in rubber articles intended for repeated use in contact with food.

After reviewing the submission, we have concluded that the submission we received is not an objection and consequently does not provide a basis for modifying the regulations.

Effective date of final rule published in the Federal Register of 9 October 2018 (83 FR 50490) confirmed: 9 October 2018.

#### **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): Not applicable

**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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