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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 15 October 2018, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the <u>United States of America</u>.

Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption; Styrene; Final Rule

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is amending the food additive regulations to no longer provide for the use of styrene as a flavoring substance and adjuvant for use in food because these uses have been abandoned. FDA is taking this action in response to a food additive petition submitted by the Styrene Information and Research Center (SIRC).

The rule is effective 9 October 2018.

Text is available at:

https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-09/pdf/2018-21808.pdf. https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/USA/18 5401 00 e.pdf

This addendum concerns a:

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*): Submit either electronic or written objections and requests for a hearing on the final rule by 8 November 2018.

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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Text can also be found in the Federal Register, Vol. 83, No. 195, page 50487 or on the internet at: https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-09/pdf/2018-21808.pdf