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Subject

DISPENSATION: ADDITION OF DAIRY PRODUCTS TO MAYONNAISE

1. BACKGROUND

A year ago the Department received a request to, for the purpose of product innovation, allow for the addition of dairy products to mayonnaise. The compositional requirements prescribed for mayonnaise and reduced oil mayonnaise in the "Regulations regarding control over the sale of mayonnaise and salad dressing in the Republic of South Africa" (No.R.636 of 30 June 2000) do not provide for the addition of any dairy products (except for milk protein) to these products.

A dispensation to such effect was granted to the company concerned and now with the renewal of the dispensation the Department has decided to issue an industry dispensation instead.

2. DISPENSATION

Permission is hereby granted by the Executive Officer: Agricultural Product Standards in terms of section 3(1)(c) of the Agricultural Product Standards Act, 1990 (Act No. 119 of 1990), to the Mayonnaise Industry to make use of dairy products as permitted ingredients in Mayonnaise and Reduced Oil Mayonnaise for the purpose of physical and/or organoleptic product enhancement: Provided that—

- (i) the fat content of the added dairy product(s) shall be in addition to the prescribed edible vegetable oil content of the Mayonnaise and Reduced Oil Mayonnaise and not in replacement thereof, and
- (ii) the product name/description shall include an indication of the added dairy product(s).

This permission is subject to the following conditions:

- (a) All other conditions of the relevant regulations shall be complied with.
- (b) It may be withdrawn at any time should a valid complaint be received.
- (c) The Mayonnaise Industry indemnifies this Directorate and the Department from any detrimental effect, financially or otherwise, which may emanate as a result of this permission.

- (d) Termination date: When the amendment to the relevant regulations has been published in the Government Gazette.

Kind regards,


EXECUTIVE OFFICER:
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT STANDARDS ACT, 1990 (ACT NO 119 OF 1990)

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