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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	**Notifying Member:** UNITED STATES OF AMERICA **If applicable, name of local government involved:**
2.	**Agency responsible:** Food and Drug Administration (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 preparations, n.e.s. (HS code(s): 2106); Food technology (ICS code(s): 67)
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:** Impossible Foods, Inc.; Filing of Color Additive Petition; Notification of Petition. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 1 https://www.federalregister.gov/d/2025-04034 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/USA/25_02314_00_e.pdf
6.	**Description of content:** The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is announcing that we have filed a petition, submitted by Impossible Foods, Inc., proposing that the color additive regulations be amended to expand the safe use of soy leghemoglobin as a color additive to include use in plant-based meat, poultry, and fish analogue products (ground and whole cut). The color additive petition was filed on 7 March 2025.
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:**
10.	**Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable
11.	**Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable **[X] Trade facilitating measure**
12.	**Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of 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:** For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to https://www.regulations.gov and insert the docket number (Docket No. FDA–2025–C–0380) into the "Search" box and follow the prompts, and/or go to the Dockets Management Staff, 5630 Fishers Lane, Rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852.
13.	**Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [ ] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** Text can be found in the Federal Register, Vol. 90, No. 49, Page 12118 or on the internet at: https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-03-14/pdf/2025-04034.pdf.