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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Food and Drug Safety
3.	<b>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):</b> Food additives
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed amendments to Standards for Recognition of Temporary Standard and Specifications for Foods - Advance Notice No. 2025-277, 18 June 2025. <b>Language(s):</b> Korean. <b>Number of pages:</b> 9 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/KOR/25_04131_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/KOR/25_04131_00_x.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The Republic of Korea is proposing to amend the "Standards for Recognition of Temporary Standard and Specifications for Foods". The regulations on applying for temporary standards and specifications of new food additives have been improved as following; 1) The safety evaluation report of the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA) will be accepted as a toxicity test documents on the submission for temporary standards and specifications of food additives; 2) Applicant have to submit repeated-dose 90-day oral toxicity study and genotoxicity test data and then if there are safety concerns, additional toxicity test data will be required; 3) The ingredients and mixing ratio will be included in the scope of change for food additives that have already been recognized as temporary standards and specifications but have no safety issues.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b>

<p><b>[X] None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><b>[ ] Yes [ ] No</b></p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b></p> <p><b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 25 August 2025</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si Chungcheongbuk-do, 363-700, Korea Tel: +(82 43) 719 1569 Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550 E-mail: <a href="mailto:intmfs@korea.kr">intmfs@korea.kr</a></p>
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