



NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>CHINA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: National Health and Family Planning Commission of the People's Republic of China (NHFPC)
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 additive Xylitol
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: National Food Safety Standard: Food additive Xylitol Language(s): Chinese Number of pages: 12 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/SPS/CHN/15_4659_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: This standard applies to food additive xylitol, which is made from corncob, bagasse and other agricultural products as raw materials, and obtained through hydrolysis, purification and hydrogenation. It stipulates the technical requirements and test methods for xylitol.
7. Objective and rationale: <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. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) The 46 th meeting of the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA) (1996) <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: 1. For the determination of content of xylitol and other polyols, besides the gas chromatography (same as JECFA), the liquid chromatography (the external standard method and the area normalization method) is added, taking into consideration the actual situation of enterprises in China;

	<p>2. Adds the "dry weight loss" index, delete the "water" index;</p> <p>3. For determination of reducing sugars (as glucose), the color contrast in original method is not obvious, so revised and replaced by Bennett titration in this standard;</p> <p>4. Considering the risks of nickel to consumers' health and safety, nickel shall not be more than 1.0mg/kg;</p> <p>5. Considering the risks of high arsenic content in products to consumers' health and safety, the index of arsenic is added in this standard to ensure safety in the use of this food additive. Arsenic shall not be more than 3.0mg/kg.</p>
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: None
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 19 January 2016</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>