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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>CANADA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Health Canada
<b>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):</b> Maltogenic alpha-amylase from <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> RF12029 (ICS Codes: 67.220.20, 67.060)
<b>4. 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>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Notice of Modification to <i>the List of Permitted Food Enzymes</i> to Enable the Use of Maltogenic alpha-Amylase from <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> RF12029 in Bread, Flour, Whole Wheat Flour, and Unstandardized Bakery Products - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0125. <b>Language(s):</b> English and French . <b>Number of pages:</b> 3 and 4 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/CAN/18_5965_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/CAN/18_5965_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/CAN/18_5965_00_f.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/CAN/18_5965_00_f.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a detailed safety assessment of a food additive submission seeking approval for the use of maltogenic alpha-amylase from <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> RF12029 in the manufacture of bread, flour, whole wheat flour, and unstandardized bakery products.  Maltogenic alpha-amylase from other source organisms is already specifically permitted for use as a food enzyme in Canada in the manufacture of all the foods of interest to the petitioner.  As no safety concerns were identified through Health Canada's assessment, the Department has enabled the use of the food additive maltogenic alpha-amylase from <i>B. subtilis</i> RF12029 as described in the information document below by modifying the <i>List of Permitted Food Enzymes</i> ( <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/food-safety/food-additives/lists-permitted/5-enzymes.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/food-safety/food-additives/lists-permitted/5-enzymes.html</a> ), effective 8 November 2018.  The purpose of this communication is to publically announce the Department's decision in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for any inquiries or for those wishing to submit any new scientific information relevant to the safety of this food additive.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>food safety</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>animal health</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>plant protection</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>protect territory from other damage from pests.</b>

<p><b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</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>  Health Canada's Food and Nutrition - "Public Involvement and Partnerships" Website, posted 8 November 2018 (available in English and French):  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships.html</a> (English)  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats.html">https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats.html</a> (French)</p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 8 November 2018  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b></p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 8 November 2018  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 21 January 2109  <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>The "Notice of Modification to the List of Permitted Food Enzymes to Enable the Use of Maltogenic alpha-Amylase from <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> RF12029 in Bread, Flour, Whole Wheat Flour, and Unstandardized Bakery Products - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0125" is available through the following weblink:  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/modification-list-permitted-enzymes-maltogenic-alpha-amylase-bacillus-bread-whole-wheat-unstandardized-bakery-products.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/modification-list-permitted-enzymes-maltogenic-alpha-amylase-bacillus-bread-whole-wheat-unstandardized-bakery-products.html</a> (English)  <a href="https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/modification-permettre-enzymes-maltogene-bacillus-subtilis-pain-ble-produits-boulangeries-non-normalises.html">https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/modification-permettre-enzymes-maltogene-bacillus-subtilis-pain-ble-produits-boulangeries-non-normalises.html</a> (French)</p> <p>Canada's SPS and TBT Notification Authority and Enquiry Point  Technical Barriers and Regulations Division  Global Affairs Canada  111 Sussex Drive  Ottawa, Ontario  K1A 0G2  Tel: +(343) 203 4273  Fax: +(613) 943 0346  E-mail: enquiry@international.gc.ca</p>