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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>CHINA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China
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 Silicon Dioxide
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 of the P.R.C.: Food Additive Silicon Dioxide. Language(s): Chinese. Number of pages: 7 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/CHN/18_6199_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: This standard is applicable to food additive silicon dioxide produced either by a vapor phase hydrolysis process (hydrolysis of silane in oxygen hydrogen flame) or by precipitation process (including gelation, reaction from sodium silicate solution to acid) and specified the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive silicon dioxide.
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): Additive 385 FAO JECFA Monographs 17 (2015) "Silicon Dioxide, Amorphous" <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: The technical requirements of this standard are consistent with those of domestic producers and users, with major differences with JECFA as:

<p>According to the actual quality of products in current market, silicon dioxide content of all types of product are higher than the corresponding requirements of JECFA; Considering heavy metal indexes are still remained in the corresponding standards of the surrounding countries and regions, so heavy metal indexes are still remained. Follow the FCC10, soluble ionizable salt index rather than the pH regulated in JECFA is more effective. The index of loss on drying (no more than 7%) in FCC10, satisfy the demand of production, also favorable with the users, rather than the index in JECFA (no more than 8%). The changes of the above technical indexes are determined according to the actual analysis results of our products.</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 2 February 2019 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>
<p>13. 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>