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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Health Canada
- 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): Lycopene Extract from Tomato (ICS Codes: 67.200.20)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- Title of the notified document: Notice of Modification to the List of Permitted Colouring Agents to Enable New Uses of Lycopene Extract from Tomato Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0143. Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 3 and 4 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20 2095 00 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20 2095 00 f.pdf
- 6. Description of content:
 - Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a premarket safety assessment of a food additive submission seeking approval for the use of lycopene extract from tomato in certain non-carbonated sweetened flavoured water-based beverages to which vitamins and minerals nutrients have been added and in sports drinks.
 - Lycopene extract from tomato is already permitted for use in Canada as a food colouring agent in a variety of foods, including certain beverages.
 - The results of the premarket assessment support the safety of lycopene extract from tomato for its requested uses. Consequently, Health Canada has enabled the use of lycopene extract from tomato described in the information document below by modifying the List of Permitted Colouring Agents, effective 12 March 2020.
 - 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.
- 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:				
	[X]	Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Codex General Standard for Food Additives (CXS 192-1995)			
	[]	World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):			
	[]	International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):			
	[]	None			
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] Yes [] No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: The Codex General Standard for Food Additives (CXS 192-1995) provides for the use of lycopene extract from tomato, with the functional class "colour", in a number of food categories including "water-based flavoured drinks including 'sport', 'energy', or 'electrolyte' drinks and particulated drinks, at a maximum use level of good manufacturing practice.				
			9.	Health poste https: partn https:	r relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: h Canada's Food and Nutrition - 'Public Involvement and Partnerships' Web site, d March 12, 2020 (available in English and French): t://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement- erships.html (English) t://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public- nariats.html (French)
			10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 12 March 2020	
Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):					
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 12 March 2020				
	[]	Trade facilitating measure			
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 May 2020				
	Auth	cy or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification ority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address railable) of other body:			

13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

The "Notice of Modification to the List of Permitted Colouring Agents to Enable New Uses of Lycopene Extract from Tomato" is available through the following weblink:

https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/modification-permitted-food-colouring-agents-lycopene-extract-water-beverages-sports-drinks.html (English)

https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/modification-enzymes-alimentaires-colorants-autorises-extrait-lycopene-boissons-eau-boissons-sportifs.html (French)

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