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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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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): Potassium Phosphate, dibasic (ICS Codes: 67.200.20)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [X] All trading partners
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 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- Title of the notified document: Notice of Modification to the *Lists of Permitted Food Additives* to Extend the Use of Potassium Phosphate, dibasic, to the Same Foods and Levels of Use as Currently Permitted for Sodium Phosphate, dibasic - NOM/ADM-0145.
 Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 6

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20 2840 00 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20 2840 00 f.pdf

6. **Description of content:** Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a premarket safety assessment of a food additive submission seeking approval to extend the use of potassium phosphate, dibasic, to the same foods and same levels of use as is currently permitted for sodium phosphate, dibasic, in *the List of Permitted Emulsifying, Gelling, Stabilizing or Thickening Agents*, the *List of Permitted Food Additives with Other Accepted Uses*, the *List of Permitted pH Adjusting, Agents, Acid-Reacting Materials and Water Correcting Agents*, and the *List of Permitted Sequestering Agents*.

Potassium phosphate, dibasic, is already permitted for use in Canada as a food additive in various standardized and unstandardized foods.

The results of the premarket assessment support the safety of potassium phosphate, dibasic, for its requested uses. Consequently, Health Canada has enabled the use of potassium phosphate, dibasic, described in the information document below by modifying the *List of Permitted Emulsifying, Gelling, Stabilizing or Thickening Agents*, the *List of Permitted Food Additives with Other Accepted Uses*, the *List of Permitted pH Adjusting Agents, Acid-Reacting Materials and Water Correcting Agents*, and the *List of Permitted Sequestering Agents*, effective 8 April 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.

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Is the	e a relevant international standard? If so,
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Γ1 Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic []

identify the standard:

- Animal Health Code, chapter number):
- Γ1 International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):

[X] None

8.

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]Yes []No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Health Canada's Food and Nutrition - 'Public Involvement and Partnerships' Web site, posted 8 April 2020 (available in English and French):

https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvementpartnerships.html (English)

https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-publicpartenariats.html (French)

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 8 April 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): 8 April 2020.

Trade facilitating measure []

Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the 12. notification and/or (dd/mm/vv): 20 June 2020.

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:

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The "Notice of Modification to the Lists of Permitted Food Additives to Extend the Use of Potassium Phosphate, dibasic, to the Same Foods and Levels of Use as Currently Permitted for Sodium Phosphate, dibasic - NOM/ADM-0145" is available through the following weblink:

https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvementpartnerships/modification-permitted-food-additives-extend-use-potassium-phosphatedibasic.html (English)

https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-publicpartenariats/modification-additifs-alimentaires-autorises-afin-permettre-utilisationphosphate-dipotassigue.html (French)

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