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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: CANADA 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): Polysorbate 80 (ICS Codes: 67.200.20, 67.060)
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: Notice of Modification to the <i>List of Permitted Emulsifying, Gelling, Stabilizing or Thickening Agents</i> to Enable the Use of Polysorbate 80 as an Emulsifying Agent in Wheat-Based Ready-to-Eat Cereals - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0148. Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 3 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20_3874_00_f.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20_3874_00_e.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 polysorbate 80 as an emulsifying agent in wheat-based ready-to-eat cereals. Polysorbate 80 is already permitted for use in Canada as an emulsifier in a number of foods, including rice-based ready-to-eat cereals. The results of the premarket assessment support the safety of polysorbate 80 for its requested use. Consequently, Health Canada has enabled the use of polysorbate 80 described in the information document by modifying the <i>List of Permitted Emulsifying, Gelling, Stabilizing or Thickening Agents</i> , effective 15 June 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: <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.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Health Canada's Food and Nutrition - 'Public Involvement and Partnerships' Web site, posted 15 June 2020 (available in English and French):</p> <p>https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships.html (English)</p> <p>https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats.html (French)</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 15 June 2020</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 June 2020</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 28 August 2020</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. 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 Emulsifying, Gelling, Stabilizing or Thickening Agents to Enable the Use of Polysorbate 80 as an Emulsifying Agent in Wheat-Based Ready-to-Eat Cereals - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0148" is available through the following weblink:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/modification-permitted-emulsifying-gelling-stabilizing-thickening-polysorbate-80-cereals.html> (English)

<https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/modification-autorises-emulsifiants-gelifiants-stabilisants-epaississants-polysorbate-80-cereales.html> (French)

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