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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

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| <b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>CANADA</u><br><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> Cellulase from <i>Trichoderma reesei</i> QM9414 (ICS Codes: 67.220.20)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners<br><input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Notice of Modification to the <i>List of Permitted Food Enzymes</i> to Enable the Use of Cellulase from <i>Trichoderma reesei</i> QM9414 in Apricot, Peach and Pear Nectars and Unstandardized Fruit and Vegetable Products - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0156. <b>Language(s):</b> English and French. <b>Number of pages:</b> 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>6. Description of content:</b> Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a premarket safety assessment of a food additive submission seeking approval for the use of cellulase from <i>Trichoderma reesei</i> QM9414 in standardized single-strength fruit juices, standardized and unstandardized fruit nectars, and unstandardized fruit and vegetable products.<br><br>Cellulase from <i>T. reesei</i> QM9414 is already permitted for use in Canada as a food enzyme in standardized single-strength fruit juices, so this requested use did not require further consideration by Health Canada.<br><br>However, cellulase from <i>T. reesei</i> QM9414 is not permitted for use in standardized fruit nectars or more broadly in the manufacture of unstandardized fruit and vegetable products (including unstandardized fruit nectars). The results of the premarket assessment support the safety of cellulase from <i>T. reesei</i> QM9414 for these uses and as requested by the petitioner. Consequently, Health Canada has enabled the use of this enzyme from this source described in the information document by modifying the <i>List of Permitted Food Enzymes</i> , effective 22 October 2020.<br><br>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"/> 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.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| <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' Web site, posted 22 October 2020 (available in English and French):</p> <p><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></p> <p><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></p>                                                                                                              |
| <p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 22 October 2020</p> <p><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): 22 October 2020</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</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): 4 January 2021</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <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 Food Enzymes to Enable the Use of Cellulase from Trichoderma reesei QM9414 in Apricot, Peach and Pear Nectars and Unstandardized Fruit and Vegetable Products - Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0156*" is available through the following weblink:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/modification-permitted-food-enzymes-trichoderma-reesei-qm9414.html>  
(English)

<https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/modification-permettre-utilisation-trichoderma-reesei-qm9414.html>  
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