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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Food and Drug Safety
- 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 additives
- 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: Proposed amendments to the Standards and Specifications for Food Additives. Language(s): Korean. Number of pages: 73

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/KOR/21 2407 00 x.pdf

- **6. Description of content:** Republic of Korea is proposing to amend the "Standards and Specifications for the Food Additives".
 - 1) Flavouring substances consisting with synthetic flavouring substances and natural flavouring substances is newly established and the materials used for dilution, dissolution etc. of flavouring substances are added.
 - 2) The list of Synthetic flavouring substances and natural flavouring substances is revised:

(Synthetic flavouring substances) 86 compounds are newly added, and synonyms of 7 compounds are corrected; (Origins of Natural flavouring substances) 2 origins are newly added. 4 origins are

(Origins of Natural flavouring substances) 2 origins are newly added, 4 origins are deleted, and 3 general name are corrected.

3) The standards for the use of the following 16 food additives are revised:

Allura red AC, Allura red AC aluminium lake, Amaranth, Amaranth aluminium lake, Brilliant blue FCF, Brilliant blue FCF aluminium lake, Erythrosine, Fast green FCF, Fast green FCF aluminium lake, Indigocarmine, Indigocarmine aluminium lake, Ponceau 4R, Sunset yellow FCF, Sunset yellow FCF aluminium lake, Tartrazine, Tartrazine aluminium lake.

4) The analytical methods for the following 2 food additives and 1 general test methods are revised:

(Food additives) Glycerin, L-Leucine; (General test methods) Congealing point.

5) The definition of 4 food additives as mentioned below is revised for giving easily information:

Glycerin Esters of Fatty Acids, Berries Color, Food Starch Modified, Spice Oleoresins.

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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: 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 [] Animal Health Code, chapter number): International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): Γ1 [X] None 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: The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2021-128, 25 March 2021 (available in Korean) 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined. [] Trade facilitating measure 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 31 May 2021 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: International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si Chungcheongbuk-do, 363-700, Korea Tel: +(82 43) 719 1569 Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550 E-mail: intmfds@korea.kr 13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Documents are available from the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety website at http://www.mfds.go.kr. Also available from: International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si Chungcheongbuk-do, 363-700, Korea Tel: +(82 43) 719 1569 Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550 E-mail: intmfds@korea.kr