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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> CHINA <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China (NHC)
3.	<b>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> Food additive 5-Methyl-2-furanmethanethiol
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> National Food Safety Standard of the P.R.C.: Food Additive 5-methyl-2-furanmethanol. <b>Language(s):</b> Chinese. <b>Number of pages:</b> 5 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/CHN/21_2623_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/CHN/21_2623_00_x.pdf</a>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This standard is applicable to the food additive 5-methyl-2-furanmethanethiol prepared by chemical reaction of 5-methylfurfural and thiourea as main raw materials. The technical requirements and test methods of 5-methyl-2-furomethyl mercaptan are mainly specified.
7.	<b>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.
8.	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> CAC JECFA (No. 2090) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> In this standard, the relative density is changed from "1.047-1.057" to "1.047-1.086". The main reason is that the purity of the product is above 99.5%, so the upper limit of relative density has been increased accordingly.

<b>9.</b>	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined. <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined. <b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 12 June 2021 <b>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:</b> WTO/SPS National Notification and Enquiry Center of the People's Republic of China Tel: +(86 10) 5795 4645/5795 4642 E-mail: sps@customs.gov.cn
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