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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 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): Sucrose Monoesters (ICS Codes: 67.220.20, 67.160.01)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Health Canada's Proposal to Enable the Use of Sucrose Monoesters of Lauric, Palmitic or Stearic Acid as Emulsifiers in Unstandardized Beverages Reference Number: NOP/AVP-0019 Language(s): English and French Number of pages: 4
- 6. **Description of content:** Health Canada's Food Directorate completed a detailed safety assessment of a food additive submission seeking approval for the use of sucrose monoesters of lauric, palmitic or stearic acid as emulsifiers in unstandardized beverages, unstandardized beverage concentrates, and unstandardized beverage mixes.

As no safety concerns were raised through this assessment, it is the intention of Health Canada to enable these food additive uses, as described in the information document. The purpose of this communication is to publically announce the Department's intention 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 these food additives.

Health Canada's Food Directorate is committed to reviewing any new scientific information on the safety in use of any food additive, including sucrose monoesters of lauric, palmitic or stearic acid. Anyone wishing to submit new scientific information on the use of these food additives or to submit any inquiries may do so in writing, by regular mail or electronically.

- 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) [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: Health Canada's Food and Nutrition - "Public Involvement and Partnerships" Website, posted 17 June 2016 (available in English and French): http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/fn-an/consult/index-eng.php (English) http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/fn-an/consult/index-fra.php (French)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): The proposed food additive use will be legally enabled once it is published in Health Canada's List of Permitted Emulsifying, Gelling, Stabilizing or Thickening Agents (http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/fn-an/securit/addit/list/4-emulsif-eng.php).
	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): The food additive use noted in this document comes into force the day on which the modifications are made to the List of Permitted Emulsifying, Gelling, Stabilizing or Thickening Agents (http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/fn-an/securit/addit/list/4-emulsif-eng.php). [] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 30 August 2016
	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:
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 "Health Canada's Proposal to Enable the Use of Sucrose Monoesters of Lauric, Palmitic or Stearic Acid as Emulsifiers in Unstandardized Beverages - Reference Number: NOP/AVP-0019" is available through the following weblink: http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/fn-an/consult/nop-avp-0019/document-consultation-fra.php (French)