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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 6 November 2023, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Canada.

Notice of Modification to the List of permitted supplemental ingredients to enable the use of L-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine in supplemented foods

Health Canada's Food Directorate has assessed L-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine (also called alpha GPC or choline alfoscerate) for use in supplemented foods. This ingredient was previously identified by the Food Directorate for further assessment since it was an ingredient that was present in product(s) that were eligible to transition to the food regulatory framework, from the natural health products framework, under Temporary Marketing Authorizations.

The Food Directorate concluded that information related to the safety of L-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine supports its safe use in supplemented foods as a source of supplemental choline provided the levels of use do not exceed the previously established maximum levels for choline, and that certain other labelling requirements are met. Consequently, Health Canada has enabled the use of L-alpha-glycerylphosphorylcholine described in the information document by modifying the List of permitted supplemental ingredients, effective 20 September 2023.

This addendum concerns a:

- Modification of final date for comments
- Notification of adoption, publication or entry into force of regulation
- Modification of content and/or scope of previously notified draft regulation
- Withdrawal of proposed regulation
- Change in proposed date of adoption, publication or date of entry into force
- Other:

Comment period: (If the addendum extends the scope of the previously notified measure in terms of products and/or potentially affected Members, a new deadline for receipt of comments should be provided, normally of at least 60 calendar days. Under other circumstances, such as extension of originally announced final date for comments, the comment period provided in the addendum may vary.)

- Sixty days from the date of circulation of the addendum to the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable.

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The electronic version of: "*Notice of Modification to the List of permitted supplemental ingredients to enable the use of L-alpha-glycerolphosphorylcholine in supplemented foods*" is available through the following weblink:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/notice-modification-list-ingredients-l-alpha-glycerolphosphorylcholine-supplemented-foods.html> (English)

<https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/aliments-nutrition/participation-public-partenariats/avis-modification-liste-ingredients-l-alpha-glycerolphosphorylcholine-aliments-supplementes.html> (French)

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