NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** REPUBLIC OF KOREA**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** The 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):** Health functional food products |
| **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:** Proposed Amendments to Standards and Specification for Health Functional Foods.**Language(s):** Korean. **Number of pages:** 71[https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/KOR/23\_11307\_00\_x.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/KOR/23_11307_00_x.pdf%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The proposed amendments seek to:1. Revision of specification, warning notice for intake, and daily intake amount:
	* Tighthen heavy metal specification of conjugated linoleic acids and chitosan/chitooligosaccharides;
	* Strengthen anthraquinone compound specification in aloe gel;
	* Alteration of daily intake amount of oat dietary fiber, chitosan/chitooligosaccharides, garcinia cambogia extracts, and aloe gel;
	* Amendment of warning notice of intake for 9 functional raw materials;
2. Establishment of definition and test method for 'long-acting' product with delayed-release:
	* Limited to water-soluble vitamins;
3. Improvement of manufacturing method of aloe gel;
4. Unification of Folic acid units - ㎍ ⇒ ㎍ DFE.
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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)*:** **[****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:**   |
| **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)*:** 25 September 2023**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 OfficeMinistry of Food and Drug Safety#187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-siChungcheongbuk-do, 28159, Republic of KoreaTel: +(82 43) 719 1569Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550E-mail: intmfds@korea.kr |
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