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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" \t "_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. |
| **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. |
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| **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 Office  Ministry of Food and Drug Safety  #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si  Chungcheongbuk-do, 28159, Republic of Korea  Tel: +(82 43) 719 1569  Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550  E-mail: [intmfds@korea.kr](mailto:intmfds@korea.kr) |
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