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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: CHINA If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China (NHC)
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): Food additive Ascorbyl palmitate
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: National Food Safety Standard of the P.R.C.: Food additive Ascorbyl palmitate. Language(s): Chinese. Number of pages: 7 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/CHN/25_05738_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: This standard is applicable to the food additive ascorbyl palmitate, which is prepared by reacting palmitic acid with thionyl chloride to obtain palmitoyl chloride, followed by a reaction with ascorbic acid, or prepared by enzymatic catalysis using palmitic acid (or ethyl palmitate) and ascorbic acid as raw materials.
7.	Objective and rationale: ☒ 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): JECFA 2006 ☐ World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): ☐ International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ☐ 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: ☒ Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 3 November 2025 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: ☐ National Notification Authority, ☒ National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: 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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