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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Republic of Korea  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** 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):** Food additives |
| **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 the Standards and Specifications for Food Additives. **Language(s):** Korean. **Number of pages:** 107  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/KOR/19_1589_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The Republic of Korea is proposing to amend the "Standards and Specifications for the Food Additives":   1. The standard for manufacturing concerned on nitrous dioxide is newly established; 2. General use level for microbial culture adjunct is newly established; 3. The specifications of the following 6 food additives are revised:   L-Glutamic acid, Monoammonium L-glutamate, Monopotassium L-glutamiate, Cyanocobalamin, Annatto(water-soluble), Preservatives preparations;   1. The general name and origin name of 59 natural flavouring substances is corrected; 2. The standards for the use of the following 13 food additives are revised:   Copper gluconate, Manganese gluconate, Zinc gluconate, Ferrous gluconate, Phylloquinone, 5'-Cytidylic acid, Disodium 5'-cytidylate, 5'-Adenylic acid, Disodium 5'-uridylate, Cupric sulfate, Zinc sulfate, Potassium hydroxide, Heme iron;   1. The analytical method for test of bactericidal activity is revised; 2. When processing aid will be used as food additive, the provision for additional toxicological data on submission of a dossier is newly established. |
| **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:** The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2019-137, 19 March 2019 (available in Korean) |
| **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)*:** 18 May 2019  **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, 363-700, Korea  Tel: +(82 43) 719 1597  Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550  E-mail: wtokfda@korea.kr |
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