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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 21 October 2016, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of <u>Canada</u>.

Notice of Modification - Lists of Permitted Food Additives

Notice of Modification to the *List of Permitted Preservatives* to Enable the Use of *Carnobacterium divergens* M35 as an Antimicrobial Preservative in Sliced Ready-to-Eat Cold-Smoked Salmon and Sliced Ready-to-Eat Cold-Smoked Trout - Document Reference Number: NOM/ADM-0079

Background

Health Canada received a food additive submission seeking approval for the use of a live culture preparation of the bacterium *Carnobacterium divergens* M35 to limit or inhibit the growth of the foodborne pathogen *Listeria monocytogenes* on sliced ready-to-eat cold-smoked salmon and sliced ready-to-eat cold-smoked trout.

The results of Health Canada's evaluation of available scientific data support the safety and efficacy of *C. divergens* M35 when used as requested by the petitioner.

Health Canada published a proposal on 7 June 2016, which was open for public comment for 75 days (G/SPS/N/CAN/1034). Health Canada received one comment in response to the proposal but no new scientific information was submitted that changed the outcome of the safety evaluation. Since the conclusion of the evaluation remains as described in the proposal, Health Canada has modified the *List of Permitted Preservatives* (http://hc-sc.gc.ca/fn-an/securit/addit/list/11-preserv-conserv-eng.php), effective 13 October 2016.

The purpose of this communication is to publically announce the Department's decision in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for any inquiries or for those wishing to submit any new scientific information relevant to the safety of this food additive.

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