NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** CHINA  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China |
| **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 Calcium hydroxide |
| **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:** National Food Safety Standard of the P.R.C.: Food additive Calcium Hydroxide.**Language(s):** Chinese. **Number of pages:** 8  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/CHN/22\_6523\_00\_x.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/CHN/22_6523_00_x.pdf" \t "_blank) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This standard applies to Calcium hydroxide as a food additive prepared by calcine limestone or oysters containing limestone into calcium oxide and then by digestion. It specifies the technical requirements and testing methods for food additive Calcium hydroxide. |
| **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:**  **[****X]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** 19th JECFA(1975) - Calcium hydroxide  **[****]** **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 [****X]** **No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:**   1. Heavy metal, arsenic, loss on drying, sieve residue and whiteness have been added in this standard for food safety. Heavy metal (as Pb) set to not more than 10mg/kg, arsenic (as As) set to not more than 2.0mg/kg, loss on drying set to not more than 1.0%, sieve residue (0.045mm) set to not more than 0.4%, whiteness set to not less than 91; 2. Method of assay was determined by acid-base titration; 3. Acid-insoluble substances set to 0.1%, magnesium and alkali salts set to 2.0%.   The changes of the above are determined by the products' actual analysis results. |
| **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)*:** 28 November 2022  **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:**  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](mailto:sps@customs.gov.cn) |
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