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CODEX GENERAL STANDARD FOR FOOD ADDITIVES

Comments of International Special Dietary Foods Industries (ISDI)

Information Documents

FA/48 INF/02 Information document on food additive provisions in commodity standards (Prepared by the Codex Secretariat).

Background

This document was prepared following the request of the 42nd CCFA that the Codex Secretariat prepare and regularly update an information document compiling all food additive provisions of Codex commodity standards.

ISDI notes that for the commodity standard CX STAN 72-1981 Standard for Infant Formula and Formulas for Special Medical Purposes Intended for Infants (page 13 of FA/48/02), the recently endorsed phosphates (INS 339 i,ii,iii and 340 i,ii,iii) were erroneously omitted in FA/48 INF/02. Note that the phosphates (INS 339 i,ii,iii and 340 i,ii,iii) are listed in the commodity standard CX STAN 72-1981 as last revised in 2015.

ISDI kindly requests the Codex Secretariat to amend the document by adding the phosphates INS339 i,ii,iii and INS340 i,ii,iii under **4.3 Acidity Regulators** to the table in FA/48/02, as mentioned in the 44th CCFA report (point 45 and 46 p.5 and appendix IV p.47):

33rd Session of the Committee on Nutrition and Food for Special Dietary Uses (CCNFSDU)

Standard for Infant Formulas and Formulas for Special Medical Purposes Intended for Infants (CODEX STAN 72-1981)

45. The Committee endorsed the provisions for sodium and potassium phosphates in the Standard, as amended by the in-session Working Group. The Committee noted that the endorsed provision for sodium and potassium phosphates was 45 mg/100 ml, as phosphorus.

Conclusion

46. The status of the endorsement of food additive provisions is presented in Appendix IV.

Appendix IV:

COMMITTEE ON NUTRITION AND SPECIAL DIETARY USES (CCNFSDU)

Standard for Infant Formula and Formulas for Special Medical Purposes Intended for Infants (CODEX STAN 72-1981)

4. FOOD ADDITIVES

Additives considered as physiological body constituents			
INS	Additive	Maximum level in 100ml of the product ready for consumption	Endorsement status
339i, ii and iii	Sodium dihydrogen phosphate, disodium hydrogen phosphate and trisodium phosphate	45 mg as phosphorus singly or in combination and within the limits for sodium, potassium and phosphorus in section 3.1.3 (e) in all types of infant formula	Endorsed by 44 th CCFA
340i, ii and iii	Potassium dihydrogen phosphate, dipotassium hydrogen phosphate and tripotassium phosphate		Endorsed by 44 th CCFA

ISDI notes that in the same commodity standard CX STAN 72-1981 in INF/02, for carrageenan (INS 407) there is a redundant asterisk and number 1 (*1) shown next to carrageenan, in the column "Maximum level in 100 mL of the product ready for consumption". The asterisk is carried as a footnote to the bottom of the table where it is unneeded.

ISDI requests the Codex Secretariat to kindly remove the asterisk associated with carrageenan as it is not needed.