

CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION E



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Agenda Item 6

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JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION

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Addendum 1

This document contains the following additional application:


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Annex 1	IFPS	CRD 3

ANNEX 1: INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION FOR PRODUCE STANDARDS (IFPS)

1. Official name of the organization in different languages (with initials)	International Federation for Produce Standards (IFPS)	
2. Full postal address, Telephone, Facsimile and Email, as well as Telex and website addresses as appropriate	<p>Secretariat:</p> <p>International Federation of Produce Standards c/o Produce Marketing Association 1500 Casho Mill Road P.O. Box 3036 Newark, DE USA 19714-6036</p> <p>Email: acalhoun@pma.com Website: www.plucodes.com</p>	
	<p>Business Office:</p> <p>International Federation of Produce Standards c/o Fresh Produce Consortium (UK) Minerva House Minerva Business Park Lynch Wood Peterborough United Kingdom PE2 6FT</p>	
3 (a). Aims and subject fields (mandate) of organization, and methods of operation. (Enclose charter, constitution, by-laws, rules of procedures, etc.). Date of establishment	<p>IFPS was officially incorporated on 15 September 2006 in the United Kingdom. It is a successor organization to the International Federation of Produce Coding (established in 2001)</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In conjunction with stakeholders in the industry to improve the supply chain efficiency of the fresh produce industry through developing, implementing and managing harmonized international standards. • To act as a forum for comment and discussion on issues relating to international standards as they affect the produce industry. • To make recommendations and advocate appropriate courses of action in relation to international standards that affects the produce industry. • To develop, implement and manage an international standard for Price Look Up (PLU) numbers. • The doing of all such other things as are incidental or conducive to attainment of these objectives 	Articles of incorporation & bylaws - Attached
3 (b) Membership	<p>Membership (two classes):</p> <p>Ordinary members: National Trade Associations or groups of National Trade associations acting in a representative capacity that are</p>	

	<p>representing the interests of companies actively engaged in the fresh produce industry supply chain.</p> <p>Associate members: Any individual or organization associated with the fresh produce industry supply chain, but not operating as part of it.</p>	
4 (a) IFPS Principal Officers	<p>For 2009:</p> <p>Chair - Ms. Jane Proctor, CPMA, Canada Vice-Chair - Mr. Oddmund Østebø, Norway Secretary - Ms. Alicia Calhoun, PMA, USA Treasurer - Mr. Nigel Jenney, FPC, UK</p>	
4 (b) IFPS Ordinary Members	<p>IFPS Ordinary Members - 9 Members</p> <p>Asociación de Exportadores de Chile (members – growers and exporters of fresh produce) Cruz del Sur N° 133, Piso 2 - Las Condes Santiago, Chile</p> <p>Fresh Produce Exporters Forum (members - growers and exporters of fresh produce) The Colloseum Foyer 3 - 1st Floor Century Boulevard Century City, South Africa</p> <p>Horticulture Australia Ltd. (members - associations representing fresh produce commodities) PO Box 1968 Shepparton, Victoria Australia 3632</p> <p>Norges Frukt-og Gronnsaksgrossisters Forbund (members - growers, packers, repackers, wholesalers, etc) Postboks 157, Økern 0509 Oslo, Norway</p>	
	<p>Canadian Horticultural Council (members - associations representing producers, packers, storage intermediaries) 9 Corvus Court Ottawa, ON, Canada K2E 7Z4</p> <p>Canadian Produce Marketing Association (members - grower shippers, repackers, wholesalers, distributors and importers, retailers and food service) 162 Cleopatra Drive Ottawa, ON Canada K2G 5X2</p> <p>Fresh Produce Consortium</p>	

	(members - growers, importers, wholesalers, retailers (both multiple and independent), distributors, processors, packers, food service and other allied organisations such as freight handling, laboratories, etc) Minerva House Minerva Business Park Lynch Wood, Peterborough United Kingdom PE2 6FT	
	Produce Marketing Association (members - growers, shippers, processors, wholesalers, distributors and brokers from inside the US and globally) 1500 Casho Mill Road / P.O. Box 3036 Newark, DE United States of America 19714-6036 United Fresh (members - all sectors of the fresh produce value chain, including growers, retailers and wholesalers) PO Box 66047 Beachhaven, Auckland New Zealand 0749	
4 c IFPS Associate Members	None	
5. IFPS Structure	The IFPS board meets at minimum once per annum to elect officers, approve the budget, annual fee, etc. Meetings can be held electronically. All members have representation on the IFPS board. IFPS task forces meet as required. The Food Safety Harmonization Task Force is currently the only task force.	See attached Articles of Incorporation
6. IFPS Funding	IFPS is funded by annual fees and by in-kind member contributions to realize the project it undertakes	
7. IFPS Meetings	On average the IFPS board meets semi-annually. During these meetings it conducts business related to the PLU codes. The Food Safety Harmonization Task Force also meets during these sessions. Other business is transacted by email and by conference calls. Attendance at the meetings in 2007 and 2008 averaged 6 members.	See attached minutes (October 2008)
8. Relations with other international organizations:	a) IFPS has not established relations with any UN organizations prior to this request. b) IFPS is, in 2009, requesting liaison status with ISO TC 34 (Agri-food)	
9. Expected contribution to the Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme	IFPS expects to provide the Codex Alimentarius Commission with input from the full supply chain respecting fresh produce (fruits and vegetables) standards, food safety, traceability and other matters with particular	

	<p>reference to the following Codex Committees:</p> <p>General Principles Food Hygiene Pesticide Residues Food Labeling Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification Systems</p>	
10. Past activities on behalf of, or in relation to, the Codex Alimentarius Commission and the Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme	<p>IFPS has no prior history of direct involvement with Codex or the Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme.</p> <p>Individual member organizations have established relationships with their national Codex contact points.</p>	
11. Area of activity in which participation as an observer is requested (Commission and/or Subsidiary Bodies).	<p>IFPS is seeking Observer status with the following respect to the following Codex Committees:</p> <p>General Principles Food Hygiene Pesticide Residues Food Labeling Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification Systems</p>	
12. Previous applications for observer status with the Codex Alimentarius Commission,	None	
13. Languages	English	
14. Name, Function and address of the person providing the information	<p>Ms. Alicia Calhoun IFPS Secretariat c/o Produce Marketing Association 1500 Casho Mill Road / P.O. Box 3036 Newark, DE USA 19714-6036</p> <p>Email: acalhoun@pma.com Telephone: +1 (302) 738-7100 Fax +1 (302) 731-2409</p>	
15. Signature and date	 Jane Proctor, Chair 4 March 2009	