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PROPOSED AGENDA ON THE IN-SESSION WORKING GROUP ON

THE INTERNATIONAL NUMBERING SYSTEM FOR FOOD ADDITIVES (INS)

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AGENDA

1. Introduction
2. Approval of the agenda
3. CX/FA 23/53/13 proposals of the EWG in the annex (for adoption)
4. CX/FA 23/53/13 discussions not included in the annex (for discontinuation)
5. Recommendation to issue a future CL with slightly modified text (see text in red underlined in "annex 2" below)
6. Recommendation on future work, draft mandate for the EWG on INS (depending also on other discussions) To consider

   a) Replies to the CL requesting proposals for change and/ or addition to Section 3 of the Class Names and International Numbering System for Food Additives (CXG 36-1989);

   b) Proposals in CX/FA 23/53/13 Add.1 (i.e. Inclusion of glycolipids (INS 246) as a preservative, oat lecithin (INS 322a) as an emulsifier and carbomer (INS 1210) as a bulking agent, stabilizer, thickener in the CXG 36-1989)

   c) whether the functional class of stabiliser and thickener can be added to sodium sesquicarbonate (INS 500(iii)) (as mentioned on page 5 of CX/FA 23/53/6)

   d) whether the functional class of preservative can be added to sodium thiosulfate (INS 539) (as mentioned on page 204 of CX/FA 23/53/6)

   e) whether the functional class of carrier can be added to mannitol (INS 421), starch sodium octenyl succinate (INS 1450), and sodium ascorbate (INS 301) (as mentioned on page 270 of CX/FA 23/53/6) and preparing a proposal for circulation for comments at Step 3;

7. AOB

FORM FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS FOR CHANGES TO THE INS LIST

In completing this form, only brief information is required. The form may be retyped if more space is needed under any one heading provided that the general format is maintained.

The change is requested by (Name):

...

Justification for the requested INS change in Section 3: assigning INS number to new food additives or including additional functional class and/or technological purpose
(Please select only the appropriate option and provide details in the space below. Proposals for deletion of INS entries cannot be submitted to this circular letter if there are existing provisions (adopted or in the Step Process) for the additive in the General Standard for Food Additives (CXS 192-1995).)

□ Evidence that the compound has been or is capable of being used effectively for the technological purpose proposed
□ A Codex Commodity standard has provisions for the use of the compound
□ The JECFA specification monograph lists the technological purpose under the heading "Functional Uses"
□ A national food authority has permitted such a use
□ The food industry is currently using a substance for the technological purpose proposed
□ Other justification, what?

__Details__:

Justification for the requested INS change in Section 3: modification of an existing INS name or INS number purpose (*Please select only the appropriate option and provide details in the space below*)

□ The INS list contains an error
□ The name in the INS is so different from that used by JECFA that confusion may result
□ The name in the INS list is unsuitable for labeling purposes
□ The name in the INS list is inconsistent with the names of other related additives
□ Other justification, what?

__Details__

Justification for the requested INS change in Section 3: deletion of additive purpose (*Please select only the appropriate option and provide details in the space below*)

□ Health risk issues, e.g. JECFA has withdrawn an acceptable daily intake (ADI) based on new toxicological data
□ Evidence that the additive is not commercially manufactured or used
□ Evidence that the additive cannot be considered to fall under the definition of a food additive
□ Other justification, what?

__Details__