NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** EUROPEAN UNION**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General |
| **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):** Novel food |
| **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:** Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/1026 of 8 April 2024 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 as regards the specifications of the novel food astaxanthin-rich oleoresin from *Haematococcus pluvialis* algae (Text with EEA relevance).**Language(s):** English, French and Spanish. **Number of pages:** 4[https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/EEC/24\_02544\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/EEC/24_02544_00_e.pdf%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/EEC/24_02544_00_f.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/EEC/24_02544_00_s.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The measure concerns an amendment of several parameters (astaxanthin monoesters, astaxanthin diesters, astaxanthin 9-cis stereoisomer, and the protein content) in the specifications of the novel food astaxanthin-rich oleoresin from *Haematococcus pluvialis* algae. |
| **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:****[****]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** **[****]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** **[****]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[****X]** **None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?** **[****]** **Yes [****]** **No****If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:**  |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:**   |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 8 April 2024**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 9 April 2024 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.**[****X]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable**Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:** European CommissionDG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International RelationsRue Froissart 101B-1049 BrusselsTel: +(32 2) 29 54263E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu |
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