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APPLICATION – ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENT

A1030	Date Received: 26 June 2009 Date Due for completion of Administrative Assessment: 17 July 2009 Date Administrative Assessment Completed: 17 July 2009	
Applicant: DSM Nutritional Products Australia Pty Ltd Title: Calcium Lignosulfonate (40-65) as a Processing Aid Carrier Brief Description of Application: To permit the use of calcium lignosulfonate (40-65) as a carrier in preparations of food additives and nutrients and other functional ingredients to facilitate their introduction into water-based foods.		Potentially Affected Standards in the Code: Standard 1.3.3 – Processing Aids and potentially Standard 1.3.1 – Food Additives and Standard 1.2.4 – Labelling of Ingredients
Procedure: General Reasons why: An Application for a new processing aid involving an assessment of the risk to public health and safety and a food technology assessment of average complexity	Cost Category (General Procedure): Up to 850 hours Reasons why: An Application for a variation allowing a processing aid that is currently not permitted	Estimated start work: 1 st Qtr 2010

DECISION

Application accepted

Date: 17 July 2009

Has the Applicant claimed Confidential Commercial Information status?

Yes No ✓

What documents are affected? N/A

Is the Application for a High Level Health Claim?

Yes No ✓

Has the Applicant sought special consideration e.g. novel food exclusivity, two separate applications which need to be progressed together e.g. a novel food and a related high level health claim.

Yes No ✓

Charges

Does FSANZ consider that the application is subject to ECCB?

Yes No ✓

If yes, indicate the reason:

N/A

Does the Applicant want to expedite consideration of this Application?

Yes No Not known ✓

Application Handbook Requirements

Which Guidelines within the Part 3 of the *Application Handbook* apply to this Application:
3.1, 3.3.2

Does the Application meet the requirements of the relevant Guidelines?

Yes ✓ No

Is the checklist completed?

Yes ✓ No

What information is not provided? N/A

Does the Application relate to a matter that may be developed as a food regulatory measure, or that warrants a variation of a food regulatory measure?

Yes ✓ No

Is the Application so similar to a previous application or proposal for the development or variation of a food regulatory measure that it ought not to be accepted?

Yes No ✓

Did the Applicant identify the Procedure that, in their view, applies to the consideration of this Application?

Yes ✓ No

If yes, indicate which Procedure:

General

Other Comments or Relevant Matters: This substance has been considered by the Joint Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA) and is under active consideration by the Codex Alimentarius Commission. The European Food Safety Agency is also considering calcium lignosulfonate for use in food.

CONSULTATION & ASSESSMENT TIMEFRAME

<p>Consultation Strategy: Proposed length of public consultation period: General Procedure (6 weeks)</p>	<p>Community Involvement Category: 5 Case of minor significance or complexity or with little adverse impact on individual interests</p>												
<p>Proposed Timeframe for Assessment:</p> <p>'Early Bird Notification' due: 21 August 2009</p> <p><u>General Procedure:</u> (if not expedited)</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Commence Assessment (clock start)</td> <td>Mid-March 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Completion of Assessment</td> <td>Mid-July 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Public comment</td> <td>Late July–Early September 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Board to complete Approval</td> <td>Early December 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Notification to Ministerial Council</td> <td>Mid-December 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Anticipated gazettal if no review requested</td> <td>Late February 2011</td> </tr> </table>		Commence Assessment (clock start)	Mid-March 2010	Completion of Assessment	Mid-July 2010	Public comment	Late July–Early September 2010	Board to complete Approval	Early December 2010	Notification to Ministerial Council	Mid-December 2010	Anticipated gazettal if no review requested	Late February 2011
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