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Interested International Organizations

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**Subject:** **Distribution of the Report of the Forty -fourth Session of the Codex Committee on Food Additives (REP12/FA)**

The report of the Forty-fourth Session of the Codex Committee on Food Additives will be considered by the 35<sup>th</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Rome, Italy, 2-7 July 2012).

## **PART A – MATTERS FOR ADOPTION BY THE 35<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION**

### **Draft and Proposed Draft Standards and Related Texts at Steps 8 or 5/8 of the Procedure**

1. **Food additive provisions of the *General Standard for Food Additives (GSFA)***, at Steps 8 and 5/8, respectively (para. 131 and Appendix VI);
2. **Draft revision of the *Standard for Food Grade Salt (CODEX STAN 150-1985) (N 08-2010)***, at Step 5 (para. 136 and Appendix XI);
3. **Proposed draft amendments to the *International Numbering System for Food Additives***, at Step 5/8 (para. 152 and Appendix XII);
4. **Proposed draft *Specifications for the Identity and Purity of Food Additives***, at Step 5/8 (para. 156 and Appendix XIII).

### **Other matters for adoption**

5. **Risk Analysis Principles Applied by the Codex Committee on Food Additives** (para. 21 and Appendix II);
6. **Revision of the names and descriptors of food category 16.0 and 12.6.1 of the GSFA** (para. 114 and Appendix X).

Governments and international organizations wishing to submit comments on the above texts should do so in writing, *preferably by e-mail*, to the Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission, Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme, FAO, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153 Rome, Italy (e-mail: [codex@fao.org](mailto:codex@fao.org), fax : +39 06 57054593) **before 15 May 2012**.

## **PART B - REQUEST FOR COMMENTS AND INFORMATION**

7. **Comments at Step 3 on the provisions for aspartame-acesulfame salt (INS 962) of the GSFA** (para. 22 and Appendix IX, Part 1);
8. **Proposals for new provisions for nisin (INS 234) in 08.0 “Meat and meat products, including poultry and game” sub-categories of the GSFA** (para. 80);
9. **Proposals for new food additive provisions in food category 16.0 “Prepared foods” of the GSFA** (para. 115);
10. **Proposals for new additive provisions and/or revision of food additive provisions of the GSFA** (para. 87);

Governments and international organizations wishing to submit comments and information on the above matters should do so in writing according to the *Procedure for Consideration of the Entry and Review of Food Additive Provisions in the General Standard for Food Additive* (Procedural Manual of the Codex Alimentarius Commission), *preferably by e-mail*, to the Secretariat of the Codex Committee on Food Additives, China National Center for Food Safety Risk Assessment (CFSA), 7 Panjiayuan Nanli, Chaoyang District, Beijing 100021, China (e-mail: [secretariat@ccfa.cc](mailto:secretariat@ccfa.cc), Telefax: + 86 10 67711813;), with a copy to the Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission, Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme, FAO, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153 Rome, Italy (e-mail: [codex@fao.org](mailto:codex@fao.org), *preferably*; fax : +39 06 57054593) **before 15 October 2012**.