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A1091: Enzyme Nomenclature Change – Carboxyl Proteinase to Aspergillopepsin I & II Submission by the Australian Food and Grocery Council

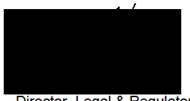
The Australian Food and Grocery Council (AFGC) supports the application by the Australian Wine Research Institute to amend Standard 1.3.3 to update the entry for the enzyme carboxyl proteinase, and agrees with the conclusion of Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ), expressed in its Call for Submissions (3 June 2014), that Standard 1.3.3 should be varied as requested by the Applicant.

Any change to the nomenclature for processing aids has no effect on food safety or the provision of consumer information. It serves only to properly identify to the food industry those processing aids that may be used in particular applications, and as such it is important that the regulatory nomenclature reflect that in common usage. Where a body such as the International Union of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (IUBMB) changes the nomenclature of enzymes, it is entirely appropriate for the Food Standards Code to be updated accordingly.

The AFGC understands that comments on A1091 closed last week but nonetheless wishes to express its general support for the Application.

Please contact me should you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely



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