

**3 August 2017**

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**Administrative Assessment Report –Application A1149**

Addition of steviol glycosides in Fruit Drinks

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| **Date received**: 5 July 2017  **Date due for completion of administrative assessment:** 26 July 2017  **Date completed: 26 July 2017** | | |
| **Applicant:**  Australian Beverages Council Ltd (ABCL) | | **Potentially affected standard:**  Schedule 15 |
| **Brief description of Application:**  To amend Schedule 15 relating to Standard 1.3.1 of the Australian New Zealand Food Standards Code (FSC), to include the addition of steviol glycosides in Fruit Drinks at a level of 200 mg/kg steviol equivalents. | |
| **Procedure:**  General | **Estimated total hours:**  350  Reasons why**:**  This application proposes an extension of use for an already permitted food additive. | **Provisional estimated start work:**  Early Nov 2017 |

***Decision***

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| **Application accepted**  **Date: 26 July 2017** |

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| **Has the Applicant requested confidential commercial information status?**  No |
| **Has the Applicant sought special consideration e.g. novel food exclusivity, two separate applications which need to be progressed together?**  No |

***Charges***

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| **Does FSANZ consider that the application confers an exclusive capturable commercial benefit on the Applicant?**  No |
| **Does the Applicant want to expedite consideration of this Application?**  Not known ✔ |

***Application Handbook requirements***

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| **Which Guidelines within the Part 3 of the *Application Handbook* apply to this Application?**  3.1.1, 3.3.1  **Is the checklist completed?**  Yes  **Does the Application meet the requirements of the relevant Guidelines?**  Yes |
| **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 |
| **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?**  No |
| **Did the Applicant identify the Procedure that, in their view, applies to the consideration of this Application?**  Yes, General (Level 1) |
| **Other Comments or Relevant Matters:**  Nil |

***Consultation & assessment timeframe***

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| **Proposed length of public consultation period:**  6 weeks |
| **Proposed timeframe for assessment:**  **‘Early Bird Notification’ due:**  Commence assessment (clock start) Early Nov 2017  Completion of assessment & preparation of draft food reg measure Early Feb 2018  Public comment Mid-Feb–late March 2018  Board to complete approval Mid-June 2018  Notification to Forum Late June 2018  Anticipated gazettal if no review requested Early Sept 2018 |