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Dear Sir/Madam

Application A1161 Potassium polyaspartate as a Food Additive – Call for Submissions

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this application. The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) has the following comments to make.

MPI supports the proposed use of potassium polyaspartate as a stabiliser in wine, noting that FSANZ concluded that there were no public health and safety issues associated with this use.

MPI notes that FSANZ has concluded that an ADI 'not specified' is appropriate. MPI questions why a numerical maximum permitted level is proposed (100mg/L) when it would be usual practice to allow use at GMP.

MPI also notes that potassium polyaspartate does not have an INS food additive code number and therefore suggests that FSANZ takes steps preferably working with the applicant to ensure an INS number is requested as soon as possible through the Codex Committee on Food Additives.

Yours sincerely

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