European Union Comments CODEX COMMITTEE ON FATS AND OILS

CODEX CIRCULAR LETTER CL 2017/61-FO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENTS TO APPENDIX 2: LIST OF ACCEPTABLE PREVIOUS CARGOES OF CAC/RCP 36-1987

European Union Competence.

European Union Vote.

The European Union would like to propose the following amendments to Appendix 2: List of Acceptable Previous Cargoes of CAC/RCP 36-1987. These proposals are based on an assessment of the European Food Safety Authority¹.

<u>Calcium lignosulphonate liquid</u> should be removed from the Codex list of acceptable previous cargoes. Due to uncertainties, mainly with regard to the composition and toxicity of the low molecular mass fraction, and the fact that the toxicological data are limited to the highly purified 40–65 calcium lignosulphonate grade and do not cover all grades of calcium lignosulphonate, shipped as previous cargoes, calcium lignosulphonate does not meet the criteria for acceptability as a previous cargo.

For <u>ammonium sulphate</u> it should be specified that only food-grade ammonium sulphate is listed as an acceptable previous cargo, as only food-grade ammonium sulphate meets the criteria for acceptability as a previous cargo due to uncertainties about impurities in other (non-food) grades.

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¹ EFSA Journal 2017; 15(1): 4656.