

Consultation request for the determination of the novel food status ARTICLE 4 of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283

Consultation request to determine the novel food status of the micronized and microencapsulated ferric diphosphate

Recipient Member State: the Czech Republic, Ministry of Agriculture of the Czech Republic

Name and description of the novel food:

The request concerns micronized and microencapsulated ferric diphosphate.

It is in powdered form and is intended to be used as an ingredient in food supplements, milk and milk products, flour and bakery products, food intended for infants, cereal-based foods and baby foods. The manufacturing process starts with micronization of ferric diphosphate (resulting particle size of micrometers) to ensure solubility in liquids, followed by encapsulation in emulsifier (sunflower lecithin, corn starch and hydroxypropylmethylcellulose).

The food in question does not contain nanomaterials.

Novel food status

The ingredient is considered as not novel food.

Justification

Ferric diphosphate is a mineral form allowed for use in food in accordance with Directive 2002/46/EC, Regulation (EC) 1925/2006 and Regulation (EU) 609/2013.

The production process includes common used production practices / process technologies used before 15 May 1997 and does not give rise to significant changes in the composition or structure of a food, affecting its nutritional value, metabolism or level of undesirable substances. The molecular structure is not new or intentionally modified. The food in question does not contain nanomaterials.