Publication of consultation on the amendment to the specification of one food additive (RP1194 - Rebaudioside M) following the consultation on applications for authorisation of two novel foods, one food additive and one food flavouring.

Dear Stakeholder,

Food Standards Scotland (FSS) recently consulted on four regulated product applications that sought stakeholders' feedback in relation to two novel foods, one food additive and one flavouring which have been submitted for authorisation (either as a new authorisation or modification/extension of existing authorisation) to be placed on the market in Great Britain.

We would like to make you aware that we have identified that there was an omission in the food additive information within the original consultation and therefore, an additional consultation has been launched.

In the interests of transparent policymaking, we are making stakeholders aware of this omission and providing you with the opportunity to further comment prior to advice being given to Ministers.

The 2 week consultation is now open and will close at **midnight on the 6th of February 2023**.

The consultation can be accessed on the Citizen Space link below: <u>Consultation on</u> amendment to the specification of one food additive (RP1194 - Rebaudioside M)

Upon accessing this, you will be asked to fill in a form specifying whether you agree to have your details and response made public when responding to this consultation.

Within the consultation FSS asks specific questions in relation to the applications for one food additive. We ask stakeholders to consider any relevant provisions of retained European Union (EU) law and other legitimate factors, including those that have been identified as relevant to these applications. This is an opportunity for stakeholders to input on the advice given to Ministers to inform decision making. A summary of responses will be published and considered for inclusion in final Ministerial advice.

In your response, please detail the capacity in which you are responding e.g. on behalf of an organisation or company, manufacturer, importer/exporter, retailer, trade body, trade union, enforcement authority, private individual, consumer etc.

The Food Standards Agency are also running a <u>parallel consultation</u> for England and Wales on the application for authorisation of one food additive.

Thank you on behalf of FSS for your assistance and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

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