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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 24 June 2020, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Canada.

Notice of Modification to Add Maximum Levels for Inorganic Arsenic in Polished (White) and Husked (Brown) Rice to Part 2 of the *List of Contaminants and Other Adulterating Substances in Foods* - Reference Number: NOM/ADM C-2020-1

On 14 June 2019, Health Canada published a Proposal to Add Maximum Levels of Inorganic Arsenic in Polished (White) and Husked (Brown) Rice to the *List of Contaminants and Other Adulterating Substances in Foods* - Reference Number: NOP/ADP C-2019-2 that was open to the public for comments for 75 days.

No new scientific information was received during the consultation period. Therefore, Health Canada added two new maximum levels for inorganic arsenic in polished (white) and husked (brown) rice, respectively, to Part 2 of the *List of Contaminants and Other Adulterating Substances in Foods*, effective 5 June 2020, as described in the information document.

The purpose of this communication is to publically announce the Department's decision in this regard and to provide the appropriate contact information for any inquiries or for those wishing to submit any new information relevant to Health Canada's scientific assessment.

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20_3872_00_f.pdf
https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/CAN/20_3872_00_e.pdf

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<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/food-nutrition/public-involvement-partnerships/modification-maximum-levels-inorganic-arsenic.html> (English)

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