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The Food Hygiene (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008

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No abre el plazo - Nezahtuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

UK

3. Department Responsible

Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills: Office of Science and Innovation

3. Originating Department

Food Standards Agency Northern Ireland

4. Notification Number

2007/0539/UK – C50A



5. Title

The Food Hygiene (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2008

6. Products Concerned

National measures related to the production of minced meat from chilled meat, for human consumption.

7. Notification Under Another Act

Regulation (EC) No. 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 laying down specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin.

8. Main Content

The proposed national measure would enable the continuation of traditional methods of production of minced meat by dissapplying the requirements of Regulation (EC) 853/2004, Annex III, Section V, Chapter III, paragraph 2(b).

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

This issue is on the Commission's list for review but the earliest date that any change to the Regulation could, realistically, be made is 2010. To enable UK manufacturers to produce minced meat from meat that has been matured for a longer period than is currently allowed in Regulation (EC) 853/2004, the UK proposes to introduce a provision in national legislation that would allow this traditional practice. UK considers that the hygiene and HACCP requirements set out in Regulation (EC) 852/2004, as well as the requirements of Regulation (EC) 2073/2005 on the microbiological criteria for foodstuffs, would suffice to ensure safe food. Also, UK has a habit of thoroughly cooking minced meat before consumption. Research commissioned by the UK shows that there is no scientific basis to support the current requirements regarding the number of days between slaughter and the mincing of meat.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

b) The basic texts have already been submitted with a parallel notification of regulations for England (2007/0493/UK).

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No



15. Impact assessment

Impact Assessment not available.

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT Aspect

No

The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

SPS Aspect

No

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