

# New Zealand Food Safety

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Dear Sir/Madam

## **Application A1169 –Alpha-Glucosidase from *Trichoderma reesei* as a processing aid (Enzyme) (Call for submissions)**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this application. New Zealand Food Safety (NZFS) has the following comments to make:

NZFS supports amending the table to subsection S18 – 9(3) in Schedule 18 to insert a new entry to permit the use of the enzyme  $\alpha$ -glucosidase derived from the GM strain of *Trichoderma reesei*, a processing aid for use in the production of a variety of food ingredients, with the condition that the amount used must be consistent with good manufacturing practice (GMP).

We note that FSANZ has concluded that there are no public health and safety concerns associated with using this new source of the  $\alpha$ -glucosidase enzyme. We note that the food technological assessment concluded that  $\alpha$ -glucosidase, in the form and prescribed amounts, is technologically justified and has been demonstrated to be effective in achieving its stated purpose.

