

New Zealand Food Safety

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Dear Sir/Madam

Application A1171 – Endo-inulinase from *Aspergillus oryzae* as a processing aid (enzyme)

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. This is to insert a new entry for the enzyme inulinase (EC 3.2.1.7) from *Aspergillus oryzae*, containing the endo-inulinase gene from *Aspergillus ficuum*, as a processing aid for hydrolysing inulin to produce fructo-oligosaccharides, subject to good manufacturing practice.

We note FSANZ has concluded there are no public health and safety concerns associated with the use of endo-inulinase. We note that the evidence presented to support the proposed use of the enzyme provides adequate assurance that the enzyme, in the form and prescribed amounts, is technologically justified and has been demonstrated to be effective in achieving its stated purpose.

Yours sincerely

