

**8 November 2021**

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**Administrative Assessment Report – Application A1239**

Food derived from EPA+DHA and herbicide tolerant canola line LBFLFK

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| **Date received:** 23 September 2021  **Date due for completion of administrative assessment:** 15 October 2021  **Date completed:** 15 October 2021 | | |
| **Applicant:** BASF Australia Ltd | | **Potentially affected standard:**  Schedule 26 |
| **Brief description of Application:**  To seek approval for food derived from canola line LBFLFK, genetically modified for herbicide tolerance and to produce omega-3 long-chain polyunsaturated fatty acids EPA and DHA in the seed. | |
| **Procedure:**  General Level 4 | **Estimated total variable hours:**  Maximum 680 hours  **Reasons why:**  The application involves an assessment of potential risk to public health and safety. | **Provisional estimated start work:**  November 2021 |

***Decision***

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| **Application accepted**  **Date**: 15 October 2021 |

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| **Has the Applicant requested confidential commercial information status?**  Yes ✔ No  What documents are affected? Appendix 3 and Appendix 4  **Has the Applicant provided justification for confidential commercial information request?**  Yes ✔ No N/A |
| **Has the Applicant sought special consideration e.g. novel food exclusivity, two separate applications which need to be progressed together?**  Yes No ✔ |

***Charges***

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| **Does FSANZ consider that the application confers an exclusive capturable commercial benefit on the Applicant?**  Yes ✔ No  **Reason:**  The technology behind the application has been developed solely by BASF who will gain an exclusive benefit if the Application is approved.  **Due date for fees: 15 November 2021** |

***Application Handbook requirements***

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| **Which Guidelines within Part 3 of the *Application Handbook* apply to this Application?**  3.1.1, 3.5.1  **Is the checklist completed?**  Yes ✔ No  **Does the Application meet the requirements of the relevant Guidelines?**  Yes ✔ No |
| **Does the Application relate to a matter that may be developed as a food regulatory measure, or that warrants a variation of a food regulatory measure?**  Yes ✔ No |
| **Is the Application so similar to a previous application or proposal for the development or variation of a food regulatory measure that it should not be accepted?**  Yes No ✔ |
| **Did the Applicant identify the Procedure that, in their view, applies to the consideration of this Application?**  Yes ✔ No  **Indicate which Procedure:**  General ✔ Minor Major |
| **Other Comments or Relevant Matters:**  Nil |

***Consultation & assessment timeframe***

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| **Proposed length of public consultation period:**  6 weeks |
| **Proposed timeframe for assessment:**  **‘Early Bird Notification’ due: 22 November 2022**  General Procedure:  Commence assessment (clock start) mid-November 2021  Completion of assessment & preparation of draft food reg measure mid-March 2022  Public comment late March – mid-May 2022  Board to complete approval early August 2022  Notification to Forum mid-August 2022  Anticipated gazettal if no review requested late October 2022 |