Requests for Comments

Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (CCFH)
Critical Control Points Decision Tree and Irradiated Foods: The Codex Secretariat issued a Circular Letter (CL 2020/55-FH) requesting comments on CCFH’s proposed decision trees for identification of critical control points and a background paper on the methods of analysis for irradiated foods. The CL is available in English, French, and Spanish at the following link: www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters. If you are interested in having your comments considered in the U.S. response, please send them to Marie Maratos (Marie.maratos@usda.gov) by October 30, 2020. Comments by other observers and countries should be submitted via their Codex Contact Point (CCP) to the CCPs for Brazil, Ligia Lindner Schreiner (ligia.schreiner@anvisa.gov.br) and Carolina Araujo Vieira (carolina.vieira@anvisa.gov.br), with a copy to the Codex Secretariat (codex@fao.org) by November 13, 2020.

Codex Committee on Food Labelling (CCFL)
Front-of-Pack Nutrition Labelling: The Codex Secretariat issued a Circular Letter (CL 2020/54/OCS-FL) requesting comments on the EWG’s report on front-of-pack nutrition labelling, which provides update and information on FOPNL work. The CL is available in English, French, and Spanish at the following link: www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters. If you are interested in having your comments considered in the U.S. response, please send them to Kristen Hendricks (Kristen.hendricks@usda.gov) as soon as possible. Comments by other observers and countries should be submitted via their Codex Contact Point (CCP) using the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS) (https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org) by October 31, 2020.

FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean (CCLAC)
Alignment of Food Additive Provisions and Alignment Plan for Regional Standards: The Codex Secretariat issued a Circular Letter (CL 2020/56-LAC) requesting comments on the alignment of food additive provisions and alignment plan for regional standards developed by CCLAC. The CL is available in English and Spanish at the following link: www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters. If you are interested in having your comments considered in the U.S. response, please send them to Ken Lowery (ken.lowery@usda.gov) by March 17, 2021. Comments by other observers and countries should be submitted via their Codex Contact Point (CCP) to the Codex Secretariat (codex@fao.org) by March 31, 2021.
Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA)
Call for Data on Steviol Glycosides: The Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA) has issued a call for data on steviol glycosides, which can be found at the following link: http://www.fao.org/3/cb1529en/cb1529en.pdf. The deadline for the data is December 31, 2020.

FAO/WHO Codex Trust Fund
Applications for Support from the Codex Trust Fund: The FAO/WHO Codex Trust Fund is now accepting applications for country support. The list of eligible countries for support can be found at the following link: https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/food-safety/codex-trust-fund/ctf-eligiblecountries-2020.pdf?sfvrsn=700605d7_2. Please note that the United States is a donor to the Codex Trust Fund and is not eligible to receive support.