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Subject: Announcement of extra label items of plastic food utensils, food containers, food packaging designated by the central competent authority in a public notice shall conspicuously indicate in Chinese and common symbols.

Based on: Article 18 subparagraph 2 of the Act Governing Food Sanitation.

Promulgation agenda:

- I. Competent authority: Department of Health, Executive Yuan.
- II. Labeling are as follows:
 1. Product name.
 2. Polymer material name.
 3. Heat-resisting temperature.
 4. Place of origin (country).
 5. Net weight, capacity, quantity or measurement. Information shall be in metric units; if necessary, it should also be specified in other units.
 6. Manufacturing date. For product with validity, it shall be specified with the effective date or validity period.
 7. Precautions for use or warning (ex: microwave or not). But in the case of PVC or PVDC products, labeling as the products should not be contacted food directly when used in food with high oil content or high temperature.
- III. The labeling modes are as follows:
 1. The labeling items mentioned above shall be printed, stamped, embossed or labeled on packaging of the smallest selling unit or on the product body. However, for the product that are reusable, the polymer material name and heat-resisting temperature of the main product body shall be printed, stamped or embossed again on the main product body of the smallest selling unit.
 2. Label printing and stamping methods shall be principally non-color fading and non-falling off.
 3. For date labeling, it shall be marked in a way that is customarily decipherable of year/month/date or year/month. For indication in year/month, it is presumed that the product is made at the end of that particular month.
 4. The length and width of the characters marked on the labels shall not be less than two millimeters.
- IV. If a product is composed of more than two kinds of polymer materials, they shall all be openly labeled.
- V. No falsehood is allowed in the labeling contents.