Use Restrictions and Labeling Requirements of 2'-Fucosyllactose Produced by Genetically Modified Escherichia coli Strain K-12 MG1655 INB000846 as a Food Ingredient

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Article 1

The regulation is prescribed in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 2 of Article 15-1 and Subparagraph 10 of Paragraph 1 of Article 22 of the Act Governing Food Safety and Sanitation.

Article 2

The 2'-fucosyllactose (2'-FL) referred to herein is produced by fermentation process using genetically modified *Escherichia coli* strain K-12 MG1655 INB000846. The 2'-FL powder can be purified from the fermentation broth via a sequence of purification steps including filtration, removing the antifoaming agents, electrodialysis, ion exchange chromatography, activated charcoal treatment, evaporation, crystallization, and spray drying etc. The final 2'-FL powder shall not contain any genetically modified microorganism and its transgenes.

Article 3

For use as a food ingredient, the 2'-FL produced by *E. coli* K-12 MG1655 INB000846 shall comply with the following requirements:

- 1. Specifications listed in the Appendix.
- 2. Can only be used for infant and follow-up formula, and milk powder or similar products for children under 7 years old.
- 3. The maximum level of 2'-FL is 1.2 g/L in the final product ready for use marketed as such or reconstituted as instructed by the manufacturer.

4. The container or external packaging of 2'-FL produced by *E. coli* K-12 MG1655 INB000846 shall be displayed one of the following information: "The 2'-fucosyllactose is produced by genetically modified microorganism" or "The 2'-fucosyllactose is produced by genetically modified microorganism, but ultimately does not contain any genetically modified microorganism and its transgenes". Final products containing 2'-FL as one of its ingredients are exempted from this labeling requirement.

Appendix

Specifications of the 2'-fucosyllactose produced by genetically modified *Escherichia coli* strain K-12 MG1655 INB000846

Chemical name: α -L-fucopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 2)$ - β -D-galactopyranosyl- $(1\rightarrow 4)$ -D-glucopyranose

Chemical formula: C₁₈H₃₂O₁₅

Molecular weight: 488.44 g/mol

CAS No: 41263-94-9

Physical parameter: 2'-fucosyllactose is a white to off white powder

Purity

2'-fucosyllactose: $\geq 94\%$

D-Lactose: $\leq 3.0\%$

L-Fucose: $\leq 2.0\%$

Difucosyllactose: $\leq 2.0\%$

2'-Fucosyl-D-lactulose: ≤ 1.5%

Sum of 2'-fucosyllactose, D-lactose, L-fucose and $\geq 96\%$

Difucosyllactose:

Genetically modified microorganisms detection: Negative (Detected by real-time quantitative polymerase

chain reaction, qPCR)

Water: $\leq 9.0\%$

Total ash: $\leq 0.5\%$

Residual proteins: $\leq 0.01\%$

Heavy Metals

Lead: $\leq 0.05 \text{ mg/kg}$

Arsenic: $\leq 0.2 \text{ mg/kg}$