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Administrative Assessment Report – Proposal P1039

Microbiological Criteria for Infant Formula

<p>Brief Description of Proposal: To include food safety microbiological criteria for infant formula, aligning with international (Codex) standards.</p>		<p>Potentially affected Standard: Schedule 27 – Microbiological limits for foods</p>
<p>Procedure: General</p>	<p>Estimated total hours: Maximum 650 hours</p>	<p>Provisional estimated start work: Late July 2015</p>
<p>Reasons why: This proposal proposes changes to current food regulatory measures to better align with international standards and current industry practice.</p>	<p>Reasons why: Small internal team with no formal risk assessment required, aligning with reputable international standards. Requires minimal consultation with stakeholders given previous consultation under P1028 and Micro Review Consultation Paper where general support was provided by stakeholders.</p>	

Decision

Proposal prepared

Date: 22 July 2015

Consultation & assessment timeframe

Proposed length of public consultation period

6 weeks

Targeted consultation will also be undertaken with infant formula manufacturers (represented by the Infant Nutrition Council)

Proposed timeframe for assessment:

Commence assessment (clock start)	Late July 2015
Completion of assessment & preparation of draft food reg measure	Mid-September 2015
Public comment	Late Sept – mid-Nov 2015
Board to complete approval	Early March 2016
Notification to Forum	Mid-March 2016
Anticipated gazettal if no review requested	Late May 2016