April 27th, 2015

Application to market Vitamin K2 as a novel food under Regulation (EC) No 258/97

Dear Dr. Vik,

I am contacting you in accordance with Article 4.2 of the novel food Regulation (EC) No 258/97 (OJ L 43, 14.02.1997, p. 1) regarding the application by NattoPharma ASA of Norway to place vitamin K2/Menaquinone7 (Branded as MenaQ7 Pure and MenaQ7 Advanced Products) on the EU market.

- The FSAI accepted an application by NattoPharma ASA on May 29th, 2014
- The FSAI submitted the initial assessment to the Commission on August 20th, 2014
- The initial assessment was disseminated to Member States on September 26th, 2014
- Reasoned objections were not raised within the 60 day comment period
- Clarifications were sought by the UK, Austria, Germany and Spain
- The applicant provided clarifications to the relevant Member States

As objections were not raised by Member States or the Commission in accordance with Article 6.4 of the novel food Regulation, the novel ingredient and its intended use is deemed to meet the criteria set out in Article 3.1 of that Regulation.


The Commission will receive a copy of this letter for publication and dissemination to Member States.

Regards,

[Signature]

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ANNEX

Specifications of Nattopharma Vitamin K₂ (Menaquinone7)

Chemical Abstract Service (CAS) No: 2124-57-4

Molecular Formula: C₄₆H₆₄O₂

Structural Formula:

Molecular Weight: 649 g/mol

Purity: >97% Menaquinone7

Composition: 97% - 101% all-trans Menaquinone7

Appearance: Light yellow crystalline powder or oil