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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

U.S. Codex Office

Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods

AGENCY: U.S. Codex Office, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Codex Office is sponsoring a public meeting on April 19, 2022. The objective of the public meeting is to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items and draft United States (U.S.) positions to be discussed at the 15th Session of the Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods (CCCF) of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC), which will convene virtually, May 9–13, 2022, with report adoption on May 24, 2022. The U.S. Manager for Codex Alimentarius and the Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs recognize the importance of providing interested parties the opportunity to obtain background information on the 15th Session of the CCCF and to address items on the agenda.

DATES: The public meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2022, from 1:00–3:00 p.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will take place via Video Teleconference only. Documents related to the 15th Session of the CCCF will be accessible via the internet at the following address: <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/en/?meeting=CCCF&session=15>.

Dr. Lauren Posnick Robin, U.S. Delegate to the 15th Session of the CCCF, invites U.S. interested parties to submit their comments electronically to the following email address: lauren.robin@fda.hhs.gov. Emailed comments should state in the title that

they relate to activities of the 15th Session of the CCCF.

Registration: Attendees must register to attend the public meeting here: https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsceGurDkvGLZO3ek3TyOwCO2Mytr_oQE. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For Information about the 15th Session of the CCCF, contact U.S. Delegate, Dr. Lauren Posnick Robin, lauren.robin@fda.hhs.gov, +1 (240) 402–1639.

For Information about the public meeting, contact: U.S. Codex Office, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 4861, South Agriculture Building, Washington, DC 20250. Phone (202) 720–7760, Fax: (202) 720–3157, Email: uscodex@usda.gov, or Quynh-Anh Nguyen, quynh-anh.nguyen@fda.hhs.gov, Phone (240) 402–2028.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Codex was established in 1963 by two United Nations organizations, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO). Through adoption of food standards, codes of practice, and other guidelines developed by its committees, and by promoting their adoption and implementation by governments, Codex seeks to protect the health of consumers and ensure fair practices in the food trade.

The Terms of Reference of the Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods (CCCF) are:

(a) to establish or endorse permitted maximum levels or guidelines levels for contaminants and naturally occurring toxicants in food and feed;

(b) to prepare priority lists of contaminants and naturally occurring toxicants for risk assessment by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives;

(c) to consider methods of analysis and sampling for the determination of contaminants and naturally occurring toxicants in food and feed;

(d) to consider and elaborate standards or codes of practice for related subjects; and

(e) to consider other matters assigned to it by the Commission in relation to contaminants and naturally occurring toxicants in food and feed.

The CCCF is hosted by the Netherlands. The United States attends the CCCF as a member country of Codex.

Issues To Be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following items from the forthcoming Agenda for the 15th Session of the CCCF will be discussed during the public meeting:

- Matters referred to the Committee by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and/or its subsidiary bodies
- Matters of interest arising from FAO and WHO including the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives
- Matters of interest arising from other international organizations
- Maximum level for cadmium in cocoa powder (100% total cocoa solids on a dry matter basis)
- Code of practice for the prevention and reduction of cadmium contamination in cocoa beans
- Maximum levels for lead in certain food categories
- Maximum levels for total aflatoxins in certain cereals and cereal-based products including foods for infants and young children
- Sampling plans and performance criteria for total aflatoxins in certain cereals and cereal-based products including foods for infants and young children
- Maximum level for total aflatoxins in ready-to-eat peanuts and associated sampling plan
- Maximum levels for total aflatoxins and ochratoxin A in nutmeg, dried chili and paprika, ginger, pepper and turmeric and associated sampling plans
- Methylmercury in fish:
 - Maximum levels for methylmercury in orange roughy and pink cusk eel
 - Sampling plan
 - Other risk management measures
- Code of practice for the prevention and reduction of mycotoxins contamination in cassava and cassava-based products
- Guidance on data analysis for development of maximum levels and for improved data collection
- Forward work-plan for CCCF:
 - Review of staple food-contaminant combinations for future work of CCCF
- JECFA evaluations:

- Priority list of contaminants for evaluation by JECFA
- Follow-up work to the outcomes of JECFA evaluations and FAO/WHO expert consultations

Public Meeting

At the April 19, 2022, public meeting, draft U.S. positions on the agenda items will be described and discussed, and attendees will have the opportunity to pose questions and offer comments. Written comments may be offered at the meeting or sent to Dr. Lauren Posnick Robin, U.S. Delegate for the 15th Session of the CCCF (see **ADDRESSES**). Emailed comments should state in the title that they relate to activities of the 15th Session of the CCCF.

Additional Public Notification

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Done at Washington, DC, on March 21, 2022.

Mary Frances Lowe,

U.S. Manager for Codex Alimentarius.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the South Carolina Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, that the South Carolina Advisory Committee (Committee) to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a business meeting via WebEx at 11:00 a.m. ET on Thursday, April 7, 2022, for the purpose of discussing the Committee's project on Civil Asset Forfeiture in South Carolina.

DATES: The meeting will take place on Thursday, April 7, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. ET.

- To join the meeting, please click the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/yc2df7rc>
- To join by phone only, dial: 1 (800) 360-9505; Access code: 276 235 35920

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Delaviez, DFO, at ero@usccr.gov or (202) 376-8473.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Committee meetings are available to the public through the meeting link above. Any interested member of the public may listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. If joining via phone, callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Individuals who are deaf, deafblind, and hard of hearing may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1 (800) 877-8339 and providing the Service with the conference details found through registering at the web link above. To request additional accommodations,

please email ero@usccr.gov at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to Sarah Villanueva at svillanueva@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit at (310) 464-7102.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Coordination Unit Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, South Carolina Advisory Committee link. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission's website, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Programs Coordination Unit at the above email or street address.

Agenda

- Welcome and Roll Call
- Discussion: Civil Asset Forfeiture in South Carolina
- Next Steps
- Public Comment
- Adjournment

Dated: March 21, 2022.

David Mussatt,

Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the New York Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, that the New York Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold a web meeting via WebEx at 1:00 p.m. ET on Friday, April 15, 2022, for the purpose of discussing civil rights topics for their next project.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, April 15, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. ET.

—To join the meeting, please click the following link: <https://bit.ly/3wdHtai>; Password: USCCR