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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1.	**Notifying Member:** UNITED STATES OF AMERICA **If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):**
2.	**Agency responsible:** Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Food and Drug Administration (FDA) [2263]
3.	**Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], Other:**
4.	**Products covered (HS codes or national tariff lines. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Pasteurized orange juice; Fruits and derived products (ICS code(s): 67.080.10); Non-alcoholic beverages (ICS code(s): 67.160.20)
5.	**Details of notified document(s) (title, number of pages and languages, means of access):** Food Standards of Identity Modernization; Pasteurized Orange Juice; (8 page(s), in English) **Link to notified document(s) and/or contact details for agency or authority which can provide copies upon request:** https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/TBT/USA/25_05205_00_e.pdf
6.	**Description of content:** Proposed rule - The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or we) is proposing to amend the standard of identity for pasteurized orange juice (POJ) by lowering the minimum orange juice soluble solids content from 10.5[deg] to 10[deg] Brix. We tentatively conclude that this proposed amendment will promote honesty and fair dealing in the interest of consumers and provide industry greater flexibility in the manufacture of pasteurized orange juice. This action, if finalized, will respond to a citizen petition submitted by the Florida Citrus Processors Association Inc. and Florida Citrus Mutual Inc.
7.	**Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Cost saving and productivity enhancement
8.	**Relevant documents:** 90 Federal Register (FR) 37817, 6 August 2025; Title 21 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 146: https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-08-06/html/2025-14949.htm https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2025-08-06/pdf/2025-14949.pdf This proposed rule is identified by Docket Number FDA-2022-P-1668. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FDA-2022-P-1668/document and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as

	comments received. Documents are also accessible from Regulations.gov by searching the Docket Number.
9.	**Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined **Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined
10.	**Provision of comments** **Final date for comments:** 4 November 2025 **[ ] 60 days from notification** WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the USA TBT Enquiry Point by or before 4pm Eastern Time on 4 November 2025. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with FDA and will also be submitted to the Docket on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period. **Contact details of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification:** Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov