STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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FOOD AND DRUGS

COMPOSITION AND LABELLING

The Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food (Amendment) **Regulations 1976**

Made	1 0th November 1976
Laid before Parliament	19th November 1976
Coming into Operation	10th December 1976

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Social Services, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 4, 7 and 123 of the Food and Drugs Act 1955(a) as amended by section 4(1) of, and paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 4 to, the European Communities Act 1972(b) and as read with the Secretary of State for Social Services Order 1968(c), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations, after consultation with such organisations as appear to them to be representative of interests substantially affected by the regulations and after reference to the Food Hygiene Advisory Council under section 82 of the Food and Drugs Act 1955 (in so far as the regulations are made in exercise of the powers conferred by the said section 7):-

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food (Amendment) Regulations 1976, and shall come into operation on 10th December 1976.
- (2) The Interpretation Act 1889(d) shall apply to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of principal regulations

2. The Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food Regulations 1975(e), as amended (f), shall be further amended by inserting in Part II of Schedule 2 thereto after the entry "Ghatti gum" in Column 2 of item (b) the entry "Guar gum".

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 5th November 1976.

(L.S.)

John Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

> David Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services.

10th November 1976.

⁽a) 4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. 16. (b) 1972 c. 68. (c) S.I. 1968/1699 (1968 III, p. 4585). (d) 1889 c. 63. (e) S.I. 1975/1486 (1975 III, p. 4932). (f) The amending regulations are not relevant to the subject matter of these regulations.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations come into operation on 10th December 1976 and further amend the Emulsifiers and Stabilisers in Food Regulations 1975. They add guar gum to the list of emulsifiers and stabilisers permitted in soft cheese, whey cheese, processed cheese and cheese spread at levels in accordance with good manufacturing practice.

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