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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on food additives[(1)], and in particular Article 14 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1331/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 establishing a common authorisation procedure for food additives, food enzymes and food flavourings[(2)], and in particular Article 7(5) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EU) No 231/2012[(3)] lays down specifications for food additives listed in Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008.

(2) Those specifications may be updated in accordance with the common procedure referred to in Article 3(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1331/2008, either on the initiative of the Commission or following an application.

(3) On 21 November 2014, an application was submitted for the amendment of the specifications concerning the food additive basic methacrylate copolymer (E 1205). The application was made available to the Member States pursuant to Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1331/2008.

(4) The applicant has requested the definition of the food additive to be amended with regard to the short description of the manufacturing process due to a modernization of the manufacturing process. Following a thorough review of the particle size in the current specification, the applicant has requested a change in the particle size of the powder.

(5) The European Food Safety Authority ('the Authority') adopted an opinion on the safety of the proposed amendment of the specifications for basic methacrylate copolymer (E 1205) as a food additive[(4)]. Based on the data provided by the applicant and taking into

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/324. (See end of Document for details)*

account the original evaluation of the substance in 2010[(5)], the Authority concluded that the proposed amendments to the specifications of the food additive Basic methacrylate copolymer (E 1205) are not of a safety concern.

(6) Regulation (EU) No 231/2012 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The Annex to Regulation (EU) No 231/2012 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 24 February 2017.

For the Commission

The President

Jean-Claude JUNCKER