STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The Colours in Food (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007

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Coming into operation 6th April 2007

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety(**1**) makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 15(1)(a), 16(1), 25(1) and (3), 26(3) and 47(2) of, and paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to, the Food Safety (Northern Ireland) Order 1991(**2**).

In accordance with Article 47 (3A) of that Order, it has had regard to relevant advice given by the Food Standards Agency.

As required by Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety(**3**) there has been open and transparent public consultation during the preparation of the following Regulations.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Colours in Food (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007 and shall come into operation on 6th April 2007.

Amendment of the Colours in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

2. In regulation 2(1) (Interpretation) of the Colours in Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(**4**) for the definition of "Directive 95/45/EC" there is substituted—

> ""Directive 95/45/EC" means Commission Directive 95/45/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning colours for use in foodstuffs(**5**) as amended by Directive

(**1**) Formerly the Department of Health and Social Services; see S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1) Article 3(6)
(**2**) S.I. 1991/762 (N.I.7) as amended by S.I. 1996/1633 (N.I.12), paragraphs 26 to 42 of Schedule 5 and Schedule 6 to the Food Standards Act 1999 c.28 and S.R.2004 Nos. 482 and 505
(**3**) OJ No. L31, 1.2.2002, p.1, as last amended as at the making of this instrument by Commission Regulation (EC) No. 575/2006 amending Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the number and names of the permanent Scientific Panels of the European Food Safety Authority (OJ No. L100, 8.4.2006, p.3)
(**4**) S.R. 1996 No.49, the relevant amending Regulations are S.R. 2000 No.188, S.R. 2001 No.408 and S.R. 2005 No.75
(**5**) OJ No. L226, 29.9.1995, p1