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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 of 20 March 2006 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs[(1)], and in particular the second sentence of Article 9(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) By virtue of the first subparagraph of Article 9(1) and in accordance with Article 17(2) of Regulation (EC) No 510/2006, the Commission has examined France's application for the approval of an amendment to the specification for the protected designation of origin 'Chabichou de Poitou', registered under Commission Regulation (EC) No 1107/96[(2)].

(2) The purpose of the application is to amend the specification by stipulating the conditions for using treatments and additives to the milk and for the manufacture of 'Chabichou du Poitou'. These practices ensure that the key characteristics of the PDO product are maintained.

(3) The Commission has examined the amendment in question and decided that it is justified. Since the amendment is minor within the meaning of Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 510/2006, the Commission may approve it without following the procedure set out in Articles 5, 6 and 7 of that Regulation.

(4) In accordance with Article 18(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1898/2006[(3)] and pursuant to Article 17(2) of Regulation (EC) No 510/2006, a summary of the specification should be published,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The specification for the protected designation of origin 'Chabichou du Poitou' is hereby amended in accordance with Annex I to this Regulation.

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Regulation (EC) No 159/2009. (See end of Document for details)*

Article 2

A summary of the main points of the specification is given in Annex II to this Regulation.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following 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, 25 February 2009.

For the Commission

Mariann FISCHER BOEL

Member of the Commission

ANNEX I

The specification for the protected designation of origin ‘Chabichou du Poitou’ is amended as follows:

Method of production

The following provisions are added to point 5 of the specification regarding the production method:

(…) Coagulation must be carried out using rennet only.

The milk must not be concentrated by partially removing the watery part before coagulation.

In addition to the raw dairy materials, the only ingredients or production aids or additives authorised in the milk and during production are rennet, innocuous bacterial cultures, yeasts, moulds, calcium chloride and salt.

(…) The dairy raw materials, partly finished products, curd and fresh cheese must not be conserved at a temperature below 0 °C.

(…) Fresh cheese and cheese undergoing the maturing process must not be conserved under a modified atmosphere.

ANNEX II

SUMMARYCouncil Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs‘CHABICHOU DU POITOU’EC No: FR-PDO-0117-0115/29.03.2006PDO (X) PGI ( )

This summary sets out the main elements of the product specification for information purposes.

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Composition	:	Producers/processors (X) Other ( )

3. Type of product

Class 1.3.Cheeses

4. Specification