

**11 August 2023**

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**Administrative Assessment Report –Application A1279**

***Lentinula edodes* (Shiitake mushroom) mycelia as a processing aid**

1. **Application details**

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| **Date received: 23 June 2023**  **Date due for completion of administrative assessment:** 17 July 2023  **Date completed:** 13 July 2023 | | |
| **Applicant: MycoTechnology Inc.** | | **Potentially affected Schedules:**  3 and 18 |
| **Brief description of application:**  To permit *Lentinula edodes* mycelia for use as a processing aid in the fermentation of pea and rice protein to produce a protein ingredient to be added to various foods. | |
| **Procedure:**  General Level 2 | **Maximum total variable hours:**  380 hours  **Reasons why:**  It will involve an assessment of average complexity, since it is assessing the use of a new processing aid. | **Estimated start date for assessment:**  July 2024 |

1. **Decision**

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| **Application accepted**  **Decision Date**: 13 July 2023 |

1. **Consultation & assessment timeframe**

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| **Proposed length of public consultation periods:**  8 weeks (additional weeks over Christmas/New Year period) |
| **Proposed timeframe for assessment**  ‘Early Bird Notification’ due: 25 August 2023  Commence assessment (clock start) late July 2024  Public comment late Nov 2024 – late Jan 2025  Board to complete approval by late April 2025  Notification to Food Ministers’ Meeting (FMM) early May 2025  Anticipated gazettal if no review requested mid July 2025 |