AMFEP statement on the disclosure of information related to the exact reference of the enzyme as subject of a positive EFSA opinion or as listed in the (future) Union List

AMFEP members agree not to disclose information on the exact reference of the enzyme as subject of a positive EFSA opinion or as listed in the (future) Union List.

As professional and expert formulators, the strength of the enzyme industry is to be able to offer our customers efficient and technical solutions that fit each of their business requirements and match the challenge of competitively answering consumer expectations. Those optimum results are only possible because of product innovation and differentiation, as well as through enzyme trading within the enzyme industry.

It is our aim to continue to be able to provide such product formulations.

We acknowledge that certain information like the applicant’s name, the EFSA question number and the strain number are public information and can be found online in OpenEFSA. However, we feel that disclosing this information in a readily accessible manner, related to commercial product names, may jeopardise the innovation and competitiveness of our industry, since a large part of our industry deals with formulations.

For this reason, the exact reference number in published positive EFSA opinions and in the future Union List is the intellectual property of business operating in the enzyme industry and will not be disclosed in relation to commercial product formulations.

At the same time, enzyme manufacturers and formulators will confirm whether the food enzymes part of a formulation they are selling is covered by a valid dossier / has received a positive opinion / has been authorised in the Union List, and they will provide information on the food applications in scope.