

**15 October 2021**

**174-21**

**Administrative Assessment Report – Application A1236**

Low-THC hemp leaf, seed sprout and root as food and food ingredients

1. **Application details**

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| **Date received:** 18 August 2021  **Date due for completion of administrative assessment:** 8 September 2021  **Date completed:** 10 September 2021 | | |
| **Applicant:** Kavasil Pty Ltd | | **Potentially affected standards:**  Standard 1.4.4 and Schedule 23 |
| **Brief description of Application:**  To permit the sale of low-THC hemp leaf, seed sprout and root as food and food ingredients in Australia and New Zealand. | |
| **Procedure:**  General [Level 5] | **Estimated total variable hours:**  923  **Reasons why:**  Complex pre-market approval of three novel foods | **Estimated start date:** September 2022 |

1. **Decision**

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| **Application accepted**  **Date**: 10 September 2021 |

1. **Additional matters**

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| **Has the Applicant requested information in the application is confidential commercial information (CCI) or confidential?**  No |
| **Is the Application for a High Level Health Claim?**  No |
| **Has the Applicant sought special consideration e.g. novel food exclusivity, two separate applications which need to be progressed together?**  No |

1. **Charges**

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| **Does FSANZ consider that the application confers an exclusive capturable commercial benefit (ECCB) on the Applicant?**  No |
| **Does the Applicant want to expedite assessment (i.e. pay) for this Application?**  No |

1. **Assessment against FSANZ Act 1991 requirements**

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| **Subsection 26(2)** |
| **(b) Does the Application relate to a matter that may be developed as a food regulatory measure, or that warrants a variation of a food regulatory measure?**  Yes |
| **(c) Is the Application so similar to a previous application or proposal for the development or variation of a food regulatory measure that it should not be accepted?**  No |
| **(d) Are there any other matters relevant to the decision whether to accept or reject the application?**  No |

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| **Does the application meet each of the following criteria required by subsection 22(2)?** |
| 1. **The application is in writing**   Yes |
| 1. **The application is in the form specified in guideline 3.1.1 of the Application Handbook**   Yes |
| 1. **The application includes all information and each thing that the section 23 guidelines of the Act state must be included in such an application.**   Yes  Section 3.1.1 – General requirements  Section 3.4.3 – Prohibited and restricted plants and fungi  Section 3.5.2 – Novel foods |
| **Did the Applicant identify the Procedure that, in their view, applies to the consideration of this Application?**  Yes  **Indicate which Procedure:** General |
| **Other Comments or Relevant Matters:**  Nil |

1. **Consultation & assessment timeframe**

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| **Proposed length of public consultation periods:**  6 weeks |
| **Proposed timeframe for assessment (unpaid)**  ‘Early Bird Notification’ due: 15 October 2021  General Procedure:  Commence assessment (clock start) Early September 2022  Completion of assessment & preparation of draft food reg measure Early January 2023  Public comment Mid-Jan to late Feb 2023  Board to complete approval Early June 2023  Notification to FMM Late June 2023  Anticipated gazettal if no review requested Early September 2023 |