



**19 February 2015**  
**[02–15]**

**Administrative Assessment Report – Application A1108**  
**Rebaudioside M as a Steviol Glycoside Intense Sweetener**

<p><b>Date received: 7 January 2015</b>  <b>Date due for completion of administrative assessment: 30 January 2015</b>  <b>Date completed: 23 January 2015</b></p>		
<p><b>Applicant:</b> PureCircle Limited (USA) via Intertek Scientific &amp; Regulatory Consultancy</p>		<p><b>Potentially affected Standards:</b> 1.3.1 and 1.3.4</p>
<p><b>Brief description of Application:</b> To include rebaudioside M in the list of permitted steviol glycoside products used as intense sweeteners.</p>		
<p><b>Procedure:</b> General</p>	<p><b>Estimated total hours:</b> Up to 350 hours</p> <p><b>Reasons why:</b> Seeking permission to add a new food additive to currently permitted food additive group.</p>	<p><b>Estimated start work:</b> Early Feb 2015</p>

***Decision***

<p><b>Application accepted</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b> 23 January 2014</p>
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**Has the Applicant requested confidential commercial information status?**

Yes✓ No

What documents are affected?

Appendix 1

**Has the Applicant provided justification for confidential commercial information request?**

Yes✓ No N/A

**Has the Applicant sought special consideration e.g. novel food exclusivity, two separate applications which need to be progressed together?**

Yes No✓

### ***Charges***

**Does FSANZ consider that the application confers an exclusive capturable commercial benefit on the Applicant?**

Yes No✓

**Does the Applicant want to expedite consideration of this Application?**

Yes✓ No Not known

**Fees received: 9 February 2015**

### ***Application Handbook requirements***

**Which Guidelines within the Part 3 of the *Application Handbook* apply to this Application?**

3.1.1, 3.3.1

**Is the checklist completed?**

Yes✓ No

**Does the Application meet the requirements of the relevant Guidelines?**

Yes✓ No

**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✓ No

**Is the Application so similar to a previous application or proposal for the development or variation of a food regulatory measure that it ought not to be accepted?**

Yes No✓

**Did the Applicant identify the Procedure that, in their view, applies to the consideration of this Application?**

Yes✓ No

**If yes, indicate which Procedure:**

General

**Other Comments or Relevant Matters:**

Nil

### ***Consultation & assessment timeframe***

**Proposed length of public consultation period:**

6 weeks

**Proposed timeframe for assessment:**

**'Early Bird Notification' due: 16 February 2015**

Commence assessment (clock start)	Early Feb 2015
Completion of assessment & preparation of draft food reg measure	Early June 2015
Public comment	Mid-June – late July 2015
Board to complete approval	Late Oct 2015
Notification to Forum	Early Nov 2015
Anticipated gazettal if no review requested	Mid-Jan 2016