

## GLOBAL ORGANIZATION FOR EPA AND DHA OMEGA-3S

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Therapeutic Goods Administration Department of Health and Aged Care <u>complementary.medicines@health.gov.au</u>

RE: Compositional Guideline for DHA-rich oil derived from microalgae Schizochytrium sp.

To Whom It May Concern:

GOED, the Global Organization for EPA and DHA Omega-3s, represents the worldwide EPA and DHA omega-3 industry, with a mission to increase consumption of EPA and DHA omega-3s around the world. The membership is built on a quality standard unparalleled in the market and members must comply with quality and ethics guidelines that ensure members produce quality products that consumers can trust. Our 170<sup>+</sup> members represent the entire supply chain of EPA and DHA omega-3s, from fisheries and crude oil suppliers to refiners, concentrators and finished product brands.

GOED writes to request the correction of an inconsistency between the <u>online version</u> and the <u>pdf version</u> of the compositional guideline for 'DHA-rich oil derived from microalgae *Schizochytrium* sp.' permitted for use in listed medicines. Specifically, the 'Acceptance criteria' for 'Nitrogen' in the online version indicates ' $\leq 0.02\%$ ' and the pdf version indicates '0.02%.' To align with the online version, GOED recommends the pdf version be changed to ' $\leq 0.02\%$ .'

GOED appreciates your consideration of the above request.

Sincerely,

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