



NUTRITION AND FOOD INNOVATION UNIT

Ref. AA/mp OC-2025-33316254



Attn: Ms Sabine Pelsser- Head of Unit

**EUROPEAN COMMISSION
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY
Directorate E – Food safety, sustainability and innovation
E2 - Food processing technologies and novel foods**

BY E-MAIL ONLY

Subject: Request for a scientific opinion on the safety of supplemental docosahexaenoic acid (DHA)

Ref. Ares(2025)388987 - 17/01/2025

Dear Ms Sabine Pelsser,

the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) accepts the European Commission (EC) **mandate for a scientific opinion on the safety of supplemental docosahexaenoic acid (DHA)** received on **17 January 2025**, as detailed in the background and in the terms of reference annexed to the letter with the above reference.

The mandate **M-2024-00180** has been allocated to the Nutrition and Food Innovation Unit and will be assigned with a Question Number.

As discussed and agreed with your services, **EFSA will deliver the output at the latest by end of June 2026.**

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Nutrition and Food Innovation Unit

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