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Success for BENEO as Chicory Root Fibers are included in FDA's "Approved Dietary Fibers" List

As part of the new food and nutrition labelling regulations, the U.S Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has announced that chicory root fibers will enter the newly established list of approved dietary fibers. This means that BENEO's ingredients, Orafti[®] inulin and oligofructose, will continue to appear as dietary fibers on the Nutrition and Supplement Facts panel.

The decision was made following an extensive review by the FDA's Nutrition Science Review team into a wide range of non-digestible carbohydrates. As a result, chicory root fibers inulin and oligofructose, natural non-digestible carbohydrates from chicory root, have a demonstrated health benefit and have been found to be in compliance with the dietary fiber definition, as outlined in the nutrition labelling regulations.

Anke Sentko, Vice President Regulatory Affairs & Nutrition Communication at BENEO, comments: "Given the ever growing body of research in favour of our fibers, we never doubted this outcome but are obviously delighted with the result of the latest ruling from the FDA. This decision means that consumers can continue to access great tasting fiber naturally sourced from chicory roots, without any labelling confusion. The FDA ruling has further reinforced that BENEO's chicory root fibers, including Orafti® inulin and oligofructose, are a beneficial way for customers to improve the nutritional quality of their products and to help consumers bridge the fiber gap. We are excited to be working with both new and existing customers to develop great new ways to help more consumers benefit from chicory root fiber."

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The BENEO-Institute is an organization which brings together BENEO's expertise from Nutrition Science and Legislation teams. It acts as an advisory body for customers and partners reaching from ingredient approval, physiological effects and nutritional composition to communication and labelling. The key nutritional topics of the BENEO-Institute's work include weight management, digestive health, bone health, physical and mental performance, the effects of a low glycaemic diet as well as dental health.

The BENEO-Institute facilitates access to the latest scientific research and knowledge throughout all nutritional and regulatory topics related to BENEO ingredients. It provides BENEO customers and partners with substantiated guidance for some of the most critical questions in the food industry. BENEO is a division of the Südzucker Group, employs more than 900 people and has production units in Belgium, Chile, Germany and Italy.

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