



**BUREAU OF STANDARDS JAMAICA**

<b>PROPOSAL FOR NEW WORK ITEM</b>	
Date of proposal: <b>2013-09-25</b>	Reference number: (to be given by BSJ)
Name of Proposer: <b>John Doe</b>	Organization: <b>Sauce Company</b>

A formal proposal / request for the development, revision or adoption of a standard shall be submitted to the Bureau of Standards Jamaica (BSJ) which will process it in accordance with the BSJ's procedures.

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**The proposal** (to be completed by the proposer)

<p><b>Subject</b> (Indicate clearly the field/subject which the proposal is intended to cover)</p> <p><b>Specification for Sauces</b></p>
<p><b>Scope</b> (Clearly state what the standard is about/applies to and if applicable what it excludes and limits or ranges covered)</p> <p><b>The standard describes the requirements for sauces (general), hot sauces and hot pepper sauce not including Jerk Sauces</b></p>
<p><b>Purpose and justification</b> (State the reason for development and need for the standard. Justification may include problems the standard is expected to solve, an explanation of the trade related, economic and, if applicable, the social/health advantages which would result from having the standard, disadvantages of not having a standard, urgent national circumstances, need for harmonization with existing legislation or international/regional/industry standards)</p> <p><b>The requirements for Sauces as per the Processed Food (Grades &amp; Standards) Regulations 1964 limit the creativity and innovation of new product development; and in some cases renders the new product unpalatable. This regulation was promulgated 49 years ago and bears little relevance to advancement in product design /technology and to changes in consumer taste and preferences.</b></p> <p><b>Trade statistics show that export of sauces stands at \$6.3M for the period January –May 2013; this underscores the importance of these products to the Jamaican economy and hence the relevance of a standard.</b></p>
<p><b>Programme of work</b> (The areas that are expected to be covered in the standard; list of principal subject areas questions which the proposer wishes to be included or dealt with, e.g. terminology, test methods, dimensions and tolerances, performance requirements, technical specifications, etc)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Scope</b></li> <li>• <b>Definitions</b></li> <li>• <b>Product description</b></li> <li>• <b>Classification</b></li> <li>• <b>General requirements-preparation and processing</b></li> <li>• <b>Detailed requirements-finished product requirements</b></li> <li>• <b>Packaging</b></li> <li>• <b>Labelling</b></li> </ul>



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**Survey of similar work undertaken in other bodies** (Known similar/ relevant documents to be considered: international/regional/national Standards or other documents such as industry standards and legislation)

- JS: 215 Jamaican Standard Specification for Jerk seasoning and Jerk sauce
- CROSQ Specification for Spices & Sauces

**Preparatory work** (Draft/outline/industry document may be included)

- A draft is attached       An outline is attached.

The proposer or the proposer's organization is prepared to contribute to the preparatory work required

- Yes    No

**Interested stakeholders** (List of organisations, national, regional or international with which cooperation should be established for the development of the standard)

- Jamaica Agro Processors Association

**Other comments** (if any)

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**Signature of the proposer**

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**Date of receipt**

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**Signature,  
Manager, Standards Development & Certification Department**