

# FDA Issues Draft Guidance on Naming and Voluntary Nutrient Statements for Plant-Based Milk Alternatives

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On February 23, 2023, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced the issuance of a draft guidance document entitled “Labeling of Plant-Based Milk Alternatives and Voluntary Nutrient Statements: Guidance for Industry.” FDA is requesting public comment by April 24, 2023 (although FDA guidance documents are open for public comment at any time, submission of comments by April 24 assures that the comments will be considered prior to issuance of “final guidance”). Comments may be submitted electronically at <https://www.regulations.gov>, or in paper form sent to Dockets Management Staff (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061, Rockville, MD 20852. Comments must reference the docket number – FDA-2023-D-0451.

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Read more about guidance on naming and voluntary nutrient statements for plant-based milk alternatives [here](#).

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