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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
<b>3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Cereals (HS Codes: 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1008), foodstuffs of animal origin (HS Codes: 0201, 0202, 0203, 0204, 0205, 0206, 0207, 0208, 0209, 0210) and certain products of plant origin, including fruit and vegetables
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Commission Regulation (EU) amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for acetamiprid in certain products (Text with EEA relevance). <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 4+5 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_3156_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_3156_00_e.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_3156_01_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_3156_01_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The proposed draft Regulation concerns the review of existing MRLs for acetamiprid in certain food commodities to consider the new toxicological reference values, which were recommended by the European Food Safety Authority and recently endorsed in the European Union.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> Codex Maximum Residue Limits for acetamiprid. The list of Codex MRLs is available at: <a href="http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/">http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/</a> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

<p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> The European Food Safety Authority published a reasoned opinion on the review of the existing maximum residue levels for acetamiprid recommending lowering the MRLs for pome fruits, peaches, head cabbage and celeries. Based on the opinion, Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 should be amended accordingly.</p>
<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>        "Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticides in or on food and feed of plant and animal origin and amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC"  <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32005R0396">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32005R0396</a>        Reasoned opinion published by the European Food Safety Authority on the setting of MRLs for acetamiprid  <a href="http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/5262">http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/5262</a> (available in English)</p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> January 2019  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> February 2019</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> Twenty days after publication in the Official Journal.  <b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 19 August 2018  <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b>        European Commission        DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations        Rue Froissart 101        B-1049 Brussels        Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263        Fax: +(32 2) 29 98090        E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu</p>
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