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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
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): HS Code(s): 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1008, 0201, 0202, 0203, 0204, 0205, 0206, 0207, 0208, 0209, 0210
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Draft Commission Regulation (EU) amending Annexes II, III and V to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for amitrole, fipronil, flufenoxuron, flupyrsulfuron-methyl, imazosulfuron, isoproturon, orthosulfamuron and triasulfuron in or on certain products (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 10 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_1614_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/EEC/19_1614_01_e.pdf
6. Description of content: The proposed draft Regulation concerns the review of the existing maximum residue levels (MRLs) for the substances amitrole, fipronil, flufenoxuron, flupyrsulfuron-methyl, imazosulfuron, isoproturon, orthosulfamuron and triasulfuron. MRLs for these substances in certain commodities are changed: either increased or lowered. Lower MRLs are set after updating the limits of determination and/or deleting old uses which are not authorised any more in the European Union or for which a human health concern may not be excluded.
7. Objective and rationale: <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.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Codex Maximum Residue Limits 79 – Amitrole - http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/?p_id=79 Codex Maximum Residue Limits 202 – Fipronil - http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/?p_id=202 Codex Maximum Residue Limits 275 – Flufenoxuron - http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/?p_id=275

<p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: The European Food Safety Authority published conclusions on the peer review of the pesticide risk assessment for the active substances amitrole, fipronil and fipronil and fipronil. Based on these opinions, Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 should be amended following a risk analysis approach.</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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 http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32005R0396 - European Food Safety Authority; Conclusion on the peer review of the pesticide risk assessment for the active substance amitrole. EFSA Journal 2014;12(7):3742 - European Food Safety Authority; Reasoned opinion on the modification of maximum residue levels (MRLs) for fipronil following the withdrawal of the authorised uses on kale and head cabbage. EFSA Journal 2014;12(1):3543 - European Food Safety Authority; Conclusion on the peer review of the pesticide risk assessment for the active substance fipronil. EFSA Journal 2011;9(3):2088 (available in English)
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): October 2019</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): November 2019</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 20 days after publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 19 May 2019</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>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>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>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>