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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: EUROPEAN UNION 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): 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 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All trading partners [X] [] Specific regions or countries: 5. Title of the notified document: Draft Commission Regulation amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for haloxyfop in or on certain products (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 5 + Annexes https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23 10768 00 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23 10768 01 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23 10768 02 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23 10768 03 e.pdf 6. Description of content: The proposed draft Regulation concerns the update of existing MRLs for haloxyfop in certain food commodities. The proposed changes are based upon reasoned opinions of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA). Lower MRLs are set after 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: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests. 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex [X] standard or related text): Codex Maximum Residue Limits for haloxyfop in some commodities. CODEX MRLs List is available at https://www.fao.org/fao-whocodexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/?p_id=194. [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): [] None

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Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]Yes [X]No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: The European Food Safety Authority published a reasoned opinion on the Targeted review of MRLs for haloxyfop-P. Based on this opinion, Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 should be amended following a risk analysis approach.

9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:

- 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: <u>http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32005R0396</u>
- European Food Safety Authority. Targeted review of maximum residues levels (MRLs) for haloxyfop-P: <u>https://doi.org/10.2903/j.efsa.2022.7658</u>
- European Food Safety Authority. Setting of import tolerances for haloxyfop-P in linseed and rapeseed: <u>https://doi.org/10.2903/j.efsa.2018.5470</u> (available in English)

10. Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): 11 January 2024

Proposed date of publication (*dd/mm/yy*): 11 February 2024

11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*: Six months after the date of entry into force of this regulation.

[] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: **[X]** Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 4 September 2023

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