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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and The Health and Safety Executive
- 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): Products (and associated GB commodity codes*): Potatoes (0211000), Wheat (0500090), Swine muscle (1011010), Swine fat (free of lean meat) (1011020), Swine liver (1011020), Swine kidney (1011040), Swine edible offals (other than liver and kidney) (1011050), Swine others (1011990), Bovine muscle (1012010), Bovine fat (1012020), Bovine liver (1012030), Bovine kidney (1012040), Bovine edible offals (other than liver and kidney) (1012050), Bovine others (1012990), Sheep muscle (1013010), Sheep fat (1013020), Sheep liver (1013030), Sheep kidney (1013040), Sheep edible offals (other than liver and kidney) (1013050), Sheep others (1013990), Goat muscle (1014010), Goat fat (1014020), Goat liver (1014030), Goat kidney (1014040), Goat edible offals (other than liver and kidney) (1014050), Goat others (1014090), Equine muscle (1015010), Equine fat (1015020), Equine liver (1015030), Equine kidney (1015040), Equine edible offals (other than liver and kidney) (1015050), Equine others (1015090), Poultry tissues (1016000), Other farmed terrestrial animals muscle (1017010), Other farmed terrestrial animals fat (1017020), Other farmed terrestrial animals liver (1017030), Other farmed terrestrial animals kidney (1017040), Other farmed terrestrial animals edible offals (other than liver and kidney) (1017050), Other farmed terrestrial animals others (1017090), Cattle milk (1020010), Sheep milk (1020020), Goat milk (1020030), Horse milk (1020040), Others milk (1020990), Chicken, duck, quail and others - birds eggs (1030000)

* For reference, the full list of GB commodity codes is set out in Part 1 of the GB pesticides Maximum Residue Level Statutory Register – see <u>link</u>).

4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:

- [X] All trading partners
- [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: New GB MRLs for fosetyl-Al amending the GB MRL Statutory Register. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 20
- **6. Description of content:** Potassium phosphonates and fosetyl-Al are approved active substances in Great Britain. These active substances degrade in food/feed to give rise to residues of phosphonic acid. The MRLs established for the active substance fosetyl-Al also cover potassium phosphonates.

An application was received by the Health and Safety Executive to set new MRLs for fosetyl-Al to cover residues from potassium phosphonates on wheat, potatoes and products of animal origin. Following assessment, new MRLs have been introduced to accommodate new GB authorisations of plant protection products that contain potassium phosphonates.

The Evaluation Report/Reasoned Opinion supporting the new MRLs is available at the following link. A complete list of the new or raised MRLs is available within <u>this document</u> (see page 5).

The residue levels arising in food and feed from the notified uses result in consumer exposures below the toxicological reference values and therefore harmful effects on human health are not expected. As the residue levels exceed the current MRLs in force, new MRLs are being adopted.

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:

- [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): The codex MRLs (CXLs) adopted for Fosetyl-Al is available in the Codex Pesticide Residues in Food Online Database: <u>https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-</u> texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/?p_id=302
- [] 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

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: There are CXLs established for fosetyl-Al for products of animal origin. These CXLs are also applicable to potassium phosphonates. The GB MRLs established to cover the new uses of potassium phosphonates are higher than the CXLs.

There are no CXLs for potatoes or wheat.

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

10. Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): 6 June 2023

Proposed date of publication (*dd/mm/yy*): 6 June 2023

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 6 June 2023
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): Not applicable

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