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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Environmental Protection Agency
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): Rice, grain; Rice, straw
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: Thiamethoxam; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions. Final Rule. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 6
	https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-10-07/html/2019-21539.htm
6.	Description of content: This regulation establishes time-limited tolerances for residues of thiamethoxam in or on rice. This action is in response to EPA's granting of an emergency exemption under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) authorizing use of the pesticide on rice. This regulation establishes a maximum permissible level for residues of thiamethoxam in or on these commodities. The time-limited tolerances expire on 31 December 2024. This action is also associated with the utilization of a crisis exemption under the FIFRA authorizing use of the pesticide on rice.
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 standard or related text):
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
	[] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
	[X] None
	Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?
	[]Yes []No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 7 October 2019Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 7 October 2019
- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 7 October 2019
 - [] 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

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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