NOTIFICATION

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| **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:**  **[****X] All trading partners**  **[ ]** **Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Annexes to "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 buprofezin, diflubenzuron, ethoxysulfuron, ioxynil, molinate, picoxystrobin and tepraloxydim in or on certain products" (Text with EEA relevance). **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 52  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_3829_00_e.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_3829_01_e.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_3829_02_e.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_3829_03_e.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18_3829_04_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This draft Regulation set proposed maximum residue levels (MRLs) for the substances buprofezin, diflubenzuron, ethoxysulfuron, ioxynil, molinate, picoxystrobin and tepraloxydim. 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. The residue definition of the substance ioxynil has also been updated. |
| **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)*:**Codex Maximum Residue Limits 173 - Buprofezin <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/?p_id=173>  Codex Maximum Residue Limits 130 – Diflubenzuron <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/?p_id=130>  Codex Maximum Residue Limits 258 – Picoxystrobin <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/?p_id=258>  The list of all Codex MRLs is available at: <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticides/en/>  **[ ]** **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:** The European Food Safety Authority published conclusions on the peer review of the pesticide risk assessment for the active substances buprofezin1, diflubenzuron23 and picoxystrobin4. Based on these opinions the Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 should therefore be amended following a risk analysis approach. |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** September 2018  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** January 2019 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** Twenty days after publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 17 September 2018  **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:**  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 |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [****X] National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  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 |