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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Member to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Environmental Protection Agency - EPA
3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Pesticides
4. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Notice of Filing a Pesticide Petition to Establish (Exemption From)Tolerance for Certain Pesticide Chemicals in or on Food (7 pages)
5. Description of content: This notice announces the initial filing of pesticide petitions proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of certain pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities. EPA has received two pesticide petitions proposing, pursuant to section 408(d) of the (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a(d), to amend 40 CFR part 180 to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for acetyl tributyl citrate and triethyl citrate when used as inert ingredients in or on growing crops, when applied to raw agricultural commodities (RAC) after harvest or when applied to animals (40 CFR 180.1001(c), and (e)). EPA has determined that the petitions contain data or information regarding the elements set forth in section 408(d)(2) of the FFDCA; however, EPA has not fully evaluated the sufficiency of the submitted data at this time or whether the data support granting of the petitions. Additional data may be needed before EPA rules on the petitions.
6. 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
7. An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> . If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: There are no CODEX tolerances for acetyl tributyl citrate (ATBC) or triethyl citrate (TEC) on any crop or livestock commodities.
8. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: 66 FR 1129, 5 January 2001 (Available in English)
9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined.
10. Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined.

11. Final date for comments: 5 February 2001
Agency or authority designated to handle comments Environmental Protection Agency
 National notification authority, **National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:** Detailed instruction on where and how to send comments is in the body of the full text - which will be sent upon request to the address in paragraph 12.

12. Texts available from: **National notification authority,** **National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:**

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