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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA), Health Canada
- 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): Pesticide formetanate hydrochloride in or on various commodities (ICS Codes: 65.020, 65.100, 67.040, 67.080)
- 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:** Proposed Maximum Residue Limit: Formetanate hydrochloride (PMRL2016-68). **Language(s):** English and French. **Number of pages:** 7
- **Description of content:** The objective of the notified document PMRL2016-68 is to consult on the listed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for formetanate hydrochloride that have been proposed by the Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA).

MRL (ppm)¹ Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity^{2,3}

- 0.9 Orange 0.4 Grapefruit
- 0.09 Lemon
- 0.03 Lime, tangelo, tangerine
- 0.02 Nectarine

As the registrant has also cancelled uses on apples, peaches and pears in Canada (2012), and the use on plums is no longer permitted in the exporting country, the existing MRLs of 3 ppm for apples, peaches and pears, and 0.5 ppm for plums are proposed for revocation. Following the revocation of these MRLs, these crops will be regulated under subsection B.15.002(1) of the Food and Drugs Regulations, which requires that residues not exceed the General MRL (GMRL) of 0.1 ppm. The PMRA does not anticipate any trade implications given that there are also no Codex MRLs for formetanate hydrochloride.

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.

¹ ppm = parts per million

² It is proposed that the MRL of 4 ppm currently established for "citrus fruits" be replaced by commodity specific MRLs. MRLs are not being established for all imported commodities in crop group 10 since the use in the United States is limited to oranges, lemons, limes, grapefruit, tangelos and tangerines.

³ It is proposed that the MRL of 3 ppm currently established for nectarines be revised to 0.02 ppm.

8.	Is the	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 t	this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?	
	[] Ye	s [X] No	
	intern hydroc	f no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the nternational standard: Currently, there are no Codex MRLs listed for formetanate by drochloride in or on any commodity according to the Codex Alimentarius Pesticid desidues in Food website.	
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Health Canada website: http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/indexeng.php , PMRL2016-68, posted: 23 November 2016 (available in English and French)		
10.	Proposed date of adoption (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): Normally within four to five months from the posting of the Proposed MRL document on the Health Canada website.		
	Propo	sed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):	
11.		sed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, r (dd/mm/yy): On the date the measure is adopted.	
	[]	Trade facilitating measure	
12.	Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 6 February 2017		
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