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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

**NOTIFICATION** 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: All trading partners [X] [] **Specific regions or countries:** 5. Title of the notified document: Draft Commission Regulation 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 bromadiolone, etofenprox, paclobutrazol and penconazole in or on certain products (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 16 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18 2474 00 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18 2474 01 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/EEC/18 2474 02 e.pdf 6. Description of content: The proposed draft Regulation concerns the review of existing MRLs for bromadiolone, etofenprox, paclobutrazol and penconazole in certain food commodities to reflect recent monitoring data submitted by the European Food Safety Authority and food business operators, which show that residues of those substances no longer occur at levels above the relevant limits of determination in the European Union. 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 [X] standard or related text): Codex Maximum Residue Limits for etofenprox and penconazole. The list of Codex MRLs is available at: http://www.fao.org/fao-whocodexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/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):

## 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 reasoned opinions on the review of the existing maximum residue levels for etofenprox and penconazole. Based on these opinions, Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 should be amended accordingly.

9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: "Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticides in or on food and feed of plant and animal origin and amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC":

http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32005R0396

Reasoned opinion published by the European Food Safety Authority on the setting of MRLs for bromadiolone

https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/4835

Reasoned opinion published by the European Food Safety Authority on the setting of MRLs for etofenprox

https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/4964

Reasoned opinion published by the European Food Safety Authority on the setting of MRLs for paclobutrazol

https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/4974

Reasoned opinion published by the European Food Safety Authority on the setting of MRLs for penconazole

https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/4853 (available in English)

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- 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): 15 July 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:

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