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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Consumers 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 "Draft Commission Regulation amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for amitrole, dinocap, fipronil, flufenacet, guazatine, pendimethalin, propyzamide, and pyridate in or on certain products (Text with EEA relevance)" Language(s): English Number of pages: 7+35

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- 6. Description of content: These notified annexes to the draft Regulation set proposed maximum residue levels (MRLs) for amitrole, dinocap, fipronil, flufenacet, guazatine, pendimethalin, propyzamide, and pyridate in Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005. MRLs for these substances in certain commodities are changed: either increased or lowered. Higher MRLs are set to accommodate new uses in the European Union and in third countries which export those commodities to the European Union. Lower MRLs are set after updating the limit of determination and/or deleting old uses which are not authorised any more in the European Union or for which there is not enough data for an MRL to be set.
- 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 for amitrole, dinocap, fipronil and guazatine for some commodities
 - [] 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 reasoned opinions on the existing MRLs for amitrole, dinocap, fipronil and guazatine. Based on these opinions, Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 should be amended following a risk analysis approach.
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/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02005R0396-20121026&rid=10
	Reasoned opinions published by the European Food Safety Authority on the setting of MRLs for amitrole, dinocap, fipronil, flufenacet, guazatine, pendimethalin, propyzamide, and pyridate: http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/2763.htm: MRLs for amitrole http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/2340.htm: MRLs for dinocap http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/3543.htm: MRLs for fipronil http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/2689.htm: MRLs for flufenacet http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/3239.htm: MRLs for guazatine http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/2683.htm: MRLs for pendimethalin http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/2690.htm: MRLs for propyzamide http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/2687.htm: MRLs for pyridate (available in English)
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): June 2014
	Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): September 2014
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.
	[] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 3 June 2014. Comments are welcomed only to MRLs that were changed (in bold in a document linked under point 5 of this notification)

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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