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**Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures** 

## NOTIFICATION

- Notifying Member: EUROPEAN UNION
   If applicable, name of local government involved:
   Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Consumers Directorate-General
   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, III and V to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for benfuracarb, carbaryl, carbofuran, carbosulfan, furathiocarb, procymidone and profenofos in or on certain products" (Text with EEA relevance) Language(s): English Number of pages: 12

http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2014/sps/EEC/14 1788 00 e.pdf

- 6. **Description of content:** These notified annexes to the draft Regulation set proposed maximum residue levels (MRLs) for benfuracarb, carbaryl, carbofuran, carbosulfan, furathiocarb, procymidone and profenofos. MRLs for these substances are lowered in certain commodities. Lower MRLs are set after updating the limit of determinations 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.
- 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 carbaryl, carbofuran, carbosulfan and profenofos in 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 a reasoned opinion on the review of the existing MRLs for carbofuran, carbosulfan, benfuracarb and furathiocarb and the setting of an import tolerance for carbofuran in cultivated mushrooms. Based on this opinion, Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 should be amended accordingly.

http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/doc/3559.pdf (available in English)

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/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG: 2005R0396: 20080410: EN: PDF

"Commission Regulation (EU) No 899/2012 of 21 September 2012 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 acephate, alachlor, anilazine, azocyclotin, benfuracarb, butylate, captafol, carbaryl, carbofuran, carbosulfan, chlorfenapyr, chlorthal-dimethyl, chlorthiamid, cyhexatin, diazinon, dichlobenil, dicofol, dimethipin, diniconazole, disulfoton, fenitrothion, flufenzin, furathiocarb, hexaconazole, lactofen, mepronil, methamidophos, methoprene, monocrotophos, monuron, oxycarboxin, oxydemeton-methyl, parathion-methyl, phorate, phosalone, procymidone, profenofos, propachlor, quinclorac, quintozene, tolylfluanid, trichlorfon, tridemorph and trifluralin in or on certain products and amending that Regulation by establishing Annex V listing default values"

http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:32012R0899

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 13 June 2014

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): October 2014

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): October 2014
  - [] 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. While the Annex contains MRLs for a vast number of substances, comments are welcomed only on those MRLs that have been changed and are the subject of this notification (these can be seen in bold in the document referred to under point 5).

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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