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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Ministry for Primary Industries
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): Vegetables, fruit, animal products, and other food products
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Proposals to Amend the New Zealand (Maximum Residue Levels for Agricultural Compounds) Food Notice. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 18 https://www.mpi.govt.nz/dmsdocument/71740-Proposals-to-Amend-the-New-Zealand-Food-Notice-Maximum-Residue-Levels-for-Agricultural-Compounds
6. Description of content: The document contains technical details on proposals to amend the current Notice issued under the Food Act 2014 that lists the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for agricultural compounds in New Zealand. MPI proposes the following amendments to the Notice: a) The amendment of existing MRL entries for the following compounds and commodities: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A new entry for cefuroxime, to set MRLs at 0.01(*) mg/kg in cattle milk, 0.02 mg/kg in cattle fat, cattle kidney, cattle liver, and cattle meat;• A new entry for chlorotoluron, to set MRLs at 0.01(*) mg/kg in barley grain, wheat grain, mammalian fat, mammalian meat, mammalian offal, milk, poultry fat, poultry meat, poultry offal of 0.01 mg/kg(*), and at 0.02(*) mg/kg in eggs;• A new entry for enrofloxacin, to set MRLs at 0.02 mg/kg for cattle fat, cattle kidney, cattle meat, pig fat, pig kidney, and pig meat, at 0.05 mg/kg for cattle milk, and at 0.07 mg/kg for cattle liver and pig liver;• An amendment to the entry for marbofloxacin, to reset the MRLs from 0.015 mg/kg to 0.1 mg/kg for cattle liver, cattle kidney, pig liver, and pig kidney, and to 0.05 mg/kg for cattle meat and pig meat;• An amendment to the entry for nicarbazin, to reset MRLs from 15 mg/kg for poultry edible offal to 8 mg/kg for chicken kidney and 15 mg/kg for chicken liver, to set MRLs of 4 mg/kg for chicken skin/fat and chicken meat, and withdraw the corresponding MRLs of 4 mg/kg for poultry chicken skin/fat and poultry meat;• An amendment to the entry for pendimethalin, to set new MRLs at 0.01(*) mg/kg in barley grain, wheat grain, poultry fat, poultry meat, poultry offal, eggs and milk, and 0.05(*) mg/kg in mammalian fat, mammalian offal and mammalian meat;• A new entry for 2-phenylphenol, to set MRLs at 0.01(*) mg/kg in mammalian fat, mammalian meat, mammalian offal, and milk. (*) indicates that the maximum residue level has been set at or about the limit of analytical quantification.

<p>b) The addition of one new entry in Schedule 2 for agricultural chemicals for which no maximum residue level applies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sugar beet extract, when used as an agricultural chemical.
<p>7. 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.</p>
<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CAC/GL 84-2012: Principles and Guidance on the Selection of Representative Commodities for the Extrapolation of Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides to Commodity Groups - CAC/MRL1: Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) for Pesticides - CAC/MRL2: Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) and Risk Management Recommendations (RMRs) for Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 10 July 2026</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733; E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz Website: https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/</p>
<p>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733; E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz Website: https://www.mpi.govt.nz/news-and-resources/consultations</p>