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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:		
2.	Agency responsible: US Environmental Protection Agency		
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): Multiple products		
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:		
	[X]	All trading partners	
	[]	Specific regions or countries:	
5.		of the notified document: Amitraz, Carfentrazone-ethyl, Ethephon, Malathion, bzeb, et al.; Tolerance Actions Language(s): English Number of pages: 7	
	http://	/www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-11-20/html/2015-28491.htm	
6.	Description of content: EPA is revoking certain tolerances for the fungicides spiroxamine and triflumizole, the herbicides carfentrazone-ethyl and quizalofop ethyl; the insecticides amitraz, oxamyl, propetamphos, and spinosad; the plant growth regulators ethephon and mepiquat; and the tolerance on rice straw for multiple active ingredients. Also, EPA is modifying certain tolerances for the fungicides mancozeb, thiram, and triflumizole. In addition, EPA is establishing new tolerances for the fungicide mancozeb. Also, in accordance with current Agency practice, EPA is making minor revisions to the tolerance expressions for mepiquat and thiram. In addition, EPA is restoring the listings of tolerances on bulb onion and pear for methomyl residues to remedy inadvertent drafting errors and cover existing registrations. EPA is deferring a decision on the malathion tolerances at this time.		
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 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 this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?		
	[] Yes [] No		

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 20 November 2015Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 20 November 2015
- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): This regulation is effective 18 May 2016, except for the amendments to 40 CFR 180.253 (the restorations of the bulb onion and pear tolerances for methomyl), which are effective 20 November 2015.
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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