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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

<p>1. <b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>CANADA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b></p>
<p>2. <b>Agency responsible:</b> Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA), Health Canada</p>
<p>3. <b>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):</b> Pesticide s-metolachlor in or on various commodities (ICS Codes: 65.020, 65.100, 67.040, 67.080)</p>
<p>4. <b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:</p>
<p>5. <b>Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed Maximum Residue Limit: S-metolachlor (PMRL2015-39) <b>Language(s):</b> English and French <b>Number of pages:</b> 5</p>
<p>6. <b>Description of content:</b> The objective of the notified document PMRL2015-39 is to consult on the listed domestic maximum residue limit (MRL) for s-metolachlor that has been proposed by the Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA). <u>MRL (ppm) Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity</u> 0.5 Cucurbit vegetables (Crop Group 9)<sup>1</sup> ppm = parts per million <sup>1</sup> The proposed MRL of 0.5 ppm will replace the currently established MRLs of 0.13 ppm for cucumbers and 0.10 ppm for melons (CSG9A), pumpkins, and winter squash. MRLs are proposed for each commodity included in the listed crop groupings in accordance with the <i>Residue Chemistry Crop Groups</i> webpage (<a href="http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/protect-proteger/food-nourriture/rccg-gcpcr-eng.php">http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/protect-proteger/food-nourriture/rccg-gcpcr-eng.php</a>) in the Pesticides and Pest Management section of Health Canada's website.</p>
<p>7. <b>Objective and rationale:</b> <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. <b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number) <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p>

<p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> Currently, there are no Codex MRLs listed for s-metolachlor in or on any commodity according to the Codex Alimentarius Pesticide Residue in Food website.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Health Canada website: <a href="http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/index-eng.php">http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/index-eng.php</a>, PMRL2015-39, posted: 25 September 2015 (available in English and French)</p>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> Normally within four to five months from the posting of the Proposed MRL document on the Health Canada website.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b></p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): On the date the measure is adopted.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 9 December 2015</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input 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>
13.	<p><b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input 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>The electronic version of the regulatory text can be downloaded at: <a href="http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/_pmrl2015-39/index-eng.php">http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/_pmrl2015-39/index-eng.php</a> (English) <a href="http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/_pmrl2015-39/index-fra.php">http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/_pmrl2015-39/index-fra.php</a> (French)</p>