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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry for Primary Industries
<b>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):</b> Animal Products - eggs
<b>4. 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:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> New Zealand Food Safety direction to establish a maximum residue level for nicarbazin in eggs. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 1 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/NZL/20_4776_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/NZL/20_4776_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The document advises of the decision to establish a maximum residue level (MRL) for nicarbazin in eggs. This MRL is being proposed to manage the unavoidable cross-contamination of nicarbazin into non-target feed for layer hens. This approach is similar to that taken by the European Commission (Commission Regulation 610/2012), and aligns with the nicarbazin egg MRL established by the Australian authority.
<b>7. 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.
<b>8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:</b> The immediate promulgation of a MRL to manage residues due to unavoidable cross-contamination of nicarbazin is required to support New Zealand trade and manage food safety.

<p><b>9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 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</li> <li>- CAC/MRL1: Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) for Pesticides</li> <li>- CAC/MRL2: Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) and Risk Management Recommendations (RMRs) for Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods</li> </ul> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b> The current New Zealand MRL that applies to residues of nicarbazin in eggs is 0.1 mg/kg, the default MRL provided for in Part 6 of the Food Regulations 2015. A revised MRL of 0.3 mg/kg has been determined to be more appropriate to manage trade in eggs where unavoidable carry-over of nicarbazin into non-target feed may have occurred. This is in line with similar MRLs assigned under EC Regulation 610/2012 and the Australian Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code (MRL Standard) Instrument 2019.</p>
<p><b>12. 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:</b></p> <p>Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand  PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand.  Tel: +(644) 894 0431  Fax: +(644) 894 0733  E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps@mpi.govt.nz">sps@mpi.govt.nz</a>  Website: <a href="https://www.mpi.govt.nz/news-and-resources/consultations">https://www.mpi.govt.nz/news-and-resources/consultations</a></p>
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