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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA), Health Canada
- 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): Pesticide abamectin in or on various commodities (ICS Codes: 65.020, 65.100, 67.040, 67.080, 67.200)
- 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:** Proposed Maximum Residue Limit: Abamectin (PMRL2016-11) **Language(s):** English and French **Number of pages:** 9 and 11
- 6. **Description of content:** The objective of the notified document PMRL2016-11 is to consult on the listed domestic and/or import maximum residue limits (MRLs) for abamectin that have been proposed by the Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA).

MRL (ppm)	Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity
0.1	Leafy vegetables (Crop Group 4) ¹ , citrus oil
0.09	Stone fruits (Crop Group 12)
0.05	Celeriac roots, celeriac tops
0.03	Herbs (Crop Subgroup 19A, except chives), papayas
0.02	Avocados, citrus fruits (Crop Group 10) ² , fruiting vegetables
	(Crop Group 8) ³ , undelinted cotton seeds
0.01	Cucurbit vegetables (Crop Group 9) ⁴ , peppermint tops, pistachios,
	spearmint tops, tree nuts (Crop Group 14) ⁵ , tuberous and corm vegetables

ppm = parts per million

(Crop Subaroup 1C)⁶

Proposed to replace the currently established MRLs of 0.05 ppm in/on head lettuce and celery.

MRLs are proposed for each commodity included in the listed crop groupings in accordance with the *Residue Chemistry Crop Groups* webpage (http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/protect-proteger/food-nourriture/rccg-gcpcr-eng.php) in the Pesticides and Pest Management section of Health Canada's website.

² There is currently a MRL of 0.02 ppm established for residues of abamectin in/on "citrus fruits" and no new MRLs for this crop group are being recommended. The established MRL of 0.02 ppm for "citrus fruits" will be replaced by specific MRLs of 0.02 ppm for each commodity listed under Crop Group 10 - Citrus Fruits (DIR98-02) to reflect the current terminology for these commodities.

³ Proposed to replace the currently established MRLs of 0.01 ppm in/on tomatoes and peppers.

⁴ Proposed to replace the currently established MRL of 0.005 ppm in/on cucumbers.

⁵ Proposed to replace the currently established MRLs of 0.005 ppm in/on almond nuts, Black walnuts and English walnuts.

⁶ A MRL of 0.01 ppm is currently established on potatoes which is a commodity included in this subgroup.

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	re 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) Abamectin, 177
	[]	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?	
	[] Ye	s [X] No
	intern	, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the national standard: Table 2 of the PMRL document compares the MRLs proposed amectin in Canada with corresponding Codex MRLs.
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Health Canada website: http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/index-eng.php , PMRL2016-11, posted: 4 April 2016 (available in English and French)	
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Normally within four to five months from the posting of the Proposed MRL document on the Health Canada website.	
	Propo	sed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):
11.		sed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, or (dd/mm/yy): On the date the measure is adopted.
	[]	Trade facilitating measure
12.		date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the cation and/or (dd/mm/yy): 18 June 2016
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