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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: CANADA
	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 metalaxyl in or on various commodities (ICS Codes: 65.020, 65.100, 67.040, 67.080)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [X] All trading partners [] Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed Maximum Residue Limit: Metalaxyl (PMRL2021-13). Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 7
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The objective of the notified document PMRL2021-13 is to consult on the listed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for metalaxyl that have been proposed by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA).
	MRL (ppm) <sup>1</sup> Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity
	10 Bearberries, bilberries, cloudberries, lowbush blueberries <sup>2</sup> , muntries,
	partridgeberries 1.5 Caneberries (crop subgroup 13-07A) <sup>3</sup> 0.5 Tree Nuts (crop group 14-11, except almond nuts, black walnuts, and English walnuts) <sup>4</sup>
	<ul> <li><sup>1</sup> ppm = parts per million</li> <li><sup>2</sup> The MRL is proposed to replace the currently established 3.0 ppm MRL for lowbush blueberries.</li> <li><sup>3</sup> The MRL is proposed to replace the currently established 0.2 ppm MRL for raspberries and add MRLs for the remaining commodities in the crop subgroup.</li> <li><sup>4</sup> Almond nuts, black walnuts and English walnuts are excluded from this MRL action as a 0.5 ppm MRL is already established for these commodities.</li> </ul>
	An MRL is proposed for each commodity included in the listed crop groupings in accordance with the <i>Residue Chemistry Crop Groups</i> webpage ( <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/protecting-your-health-environment/pesticides-food/residue-chemistry-crop-groups.html</u> ) in the Pesticides and Pest Management section of the Canada.ca website.
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 there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex [X] standard or related text): (138 Metalaxyl) 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? []Yes [X]No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: Table 2 of the PMRL document compares the MRLs proposed for metalaxyl in Canada with corresponding Codex MRLs. 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Health Canada website: https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-productsafety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations.html, PMRL2021-13, posted: 13 May 2021. (available in English and French) Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Normally within four to five months from 10. the posting of the Proposed MRL document on the Health Canada website. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/vv): Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, 11. **and/or (***dd/mm/yy***):** On the date the measure is adopted. [] Trade facilitating measure 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 27 July 2021 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: 13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enguiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: The electronic version of the regulatory text can be found at: https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticidespest-management/public/consultations/proposed-maximum-residuelimit/2021/metalaxyl/document.html (English) https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/securite-produitsconsommation/pesticides-lutte-antiparasitaire/public/consultations/limites-maximalesresidus-proposees/2021/metalaxyl/document.html (French) Canada's Notification Authority and Enguiry Point Technical Barriers and Regulations Division Global Affairs Canada 111 Sussex Drive Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0G2 Canada Tel: +(343) 203 4273 Fax: +(613) 943 0346 E-mail: enguirypoint@international.gc.ca