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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures Original: English/French

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 sulfoxaflor in or on various commodities (ICS Codes: 65.020, 65.100, 67.040, 67.060, 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.	**Title of the notified document:** Proposed Maximum Residue Limit: Sulfoxaflor (PMRL2021-25). **Language(s):** English and French. **Number of pages:** 6 and 7
6.	**Description of content:** The objective of the notified document PMRL2021-25 is to consult on the listed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for sulfoxaflor that have been proposed by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA). MRL (ppm)[1] — Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity 2.0 — Bushberries (crop subgroup 13-07B, except gooseberries)[2,3] 1.5 — Caneberries (crop subgroup 13-07A) 0.7 — Globe artichokes 0.08 — Quinoa 0.01 — Asparagus [1] ppm = parts per million [2] Gooseberries are excluded from this MRL action as a 2.0 ppm MRL is already established for this commodity. [3] The MRL is proposed to replace the currently established 0.7 ppm MRL for lingonberries and lowbush blueberries. An MRL is proposed for each commodity included in the listed crop groupings in accordance with the *Residue Chemistry Crop Groups* webpage (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) 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:**

[X] **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** 252 Sulfoxaflor

[ ] **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 sulfoxaflor 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-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations.html, PMRL2021-25, posted: 15 July 2021 (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.

Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:

11. **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, 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)*:** 28 September 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 Enquiry 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/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations/proposed-maximum-residue-limit/2021/sulfoxaflor/document.html (English)
https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/securite-produits-consommation/pesticides-lutte-antiparasitaire/public/consultations/limites-maximales-residus-proposees/2021/sulfoxaflore/document.html (French)

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