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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<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> Vegetables, fruit, animal products, and other food products
<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> Proposals to Amend the New Zealand (Maximum Residue Levels for Agricultural Compounds) Food Notice. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 14 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_7886_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/NZL/21_7886_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The document contains technical details on proposals to amend the current Notice issued under the Food Act 2014 that lists the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for agricultural compounds in New Zealand. MPI proposes the following amendments to the Notice:  The amendment of existing entries in Schedule 1, Maximum Residue Levels for Agricultural Compounds, for the following compounds and commodities: Chloramphenicol, to update the MRL for "any food" from 0.0003(*) mg/kg to 0.00015(*) mg/kg. Febantel, to update the MRLs to 0.05 mg/kg in mammalian fat, 0.05 mg/kg in mammalian kidney, 0.5 mg/kg in mammalian liver, and 0.05 mg/kg in mammalian meat. Mefentrifluconazole, to set MRLs at 0.07 mg/kg in grapes and 0.01(*) mg/kg in pome fruits. Methomyl, to remove the MRL for pome fruits. (*) indicates that the maximum residue level has been set at or about the limit of analytical quantification.  The removal of existing entries in Schedule 1, Maximum Residue Levels for Agricultural Compounds, for azaconazole, fenarimol, fenbuconazole, and tolylfluanid. The addition of new entries in Schedule 3, for Veterinary Medicines for Which No Maximum Residue Level Applies, for the following compounds: Adenosine and its 5'-mono-, 5'-di-, and 5'-triphosphates, when used as a vasodilator in animals. Performic acid, when used as a teat sanitiser on dairy cattle.
<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.

<p><b>8. 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>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be confirmed.  <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be confirmed.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be confirmed - promulgation will occur once the document is finalized post-consultation.  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 18 February 2022  <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand, Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733; E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz  Website: <a href="https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/">https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/</a></p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. <b>Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Sally Griffin, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand, Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733; E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz  Website: <a href="https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/">https://www.mpi.govt.nz/importing/overview/access-and-trade-into-new-zealand/world-trade-organization-notifications/</a></p>