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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: EUROPEAN UNION If applicable, name of local government involved: 2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General 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): Cereals (HS Codes: 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1008), foodstuffs of animal origin (HS Codes: 0201, 0202, 0203, 0204, 0205, 0206, 0207, 0208, 0209, 0210) and certain products of plant origin, including fruit and vegetables 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All trading partners [X] Γ1 Specific regions or countries: 5. Title of the notified document: Draft Commission Regulation amending Annexes II, III and V to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for benalaxyl, bromoxynil, chlorsulfuron, epoxiconazole and fenamiphos in or on certain products (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 5+19 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22 4493 00 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22 4493 01 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22 4493 02 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22 4493 03 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22 4493 04 e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22 4493 05 e.pdf 6. **Description of content:** The proposed draft Regulation concerns the update of existing MRLs for benalaxyl, bromoxynil, chlorsulfuron, epoxiconazole and fenamiphos in certain food commodities. MRLs for these substances in certain commodities are changed. Lower MRLs are set after updating the limits of determination and/or deleting old uses which are not authorized any more in the European Union or for which a human health concern may not be excluded. 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): Codex Maximum Residue Limits for benalaxyl and fenamiphos. The list of Codex MRLs is available at: <u>http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticides/en</u>.
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):

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[] 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: The approvals of benalaxyl and fenamiphos for their use in plant protection products were not renewed. Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 should be amended accordingly.

9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:

- Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticides in or on food and feed of plant and animal origin and amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC <u>http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32005R0396</u>
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1280 of 14 September 2020 concerning the non-renewal of the approval of the active substance benalaxyl, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market, and amending the Annex to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011 (OJ L301, 15 September 2020, p.4-6)
 - https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/en/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32020R1280
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1246 of 2 September 2020 concerning the non-renewal of the approval of the active substance fenamiphos, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market, and amending the Annex to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011 (OJ L288, 3 September 2020, p.18-20).

<u>https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/en/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32020R1246</u> (available in English)

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[] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 2 September 2022

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