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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: UNITED KINGDOM

If applicable, name of local government involved:

- 2. Agency responsible: The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and The Health and Safety Executive
- 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): Apples (0130010), pears (0130020), apricots (0140010), cherries (sweet) (0140020), peaches (0140030), plums (0140040), table grapes (0151010), wine grapes (0151020), Sunflower seeds (0401050), Rapeseeds/ canola seeds (0401060), sugar beet roots (0900010), swine: liver (1011030), swine: edible offals (other than liver and kidney) (1011050), bovine: kidney (1012040), bovine: edible offals (other than liver and kidney) (1012050), sheep: edible offals (other than liver or kidney) (1013050), goat: edible offals (other than liver or kidney) (1015050), other farmed terrestrial animals: muscle (1017010), other farmed terrestrial animals: fat tissue (1017020), other farmed terrestrial animals: liver (1017030), other farmed terrestrial animals: kidney (1017050).

For reference, the full list of GB commodity codes is set out in Part 1 of the GB pesticides Maximum Residue Level statutory register – see <u>link</u>).

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: New or raised GB MRLs for mefentrifluconazole amending the GB MRL Statutory Register. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 19 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/GBR/23_0906_00_e.pdf
- **6. Description of content:** Mefentrifluconazole is an approved active substance in GB. An application was received by the Health and Safety Executive to set new MRLs for apples, pears, apricots, cherries, peaches, plums, table grapes, wine grapes, sunflower seeds, rapeseeds, sugar beet roots and products of animal origin. Following assessment, new or raised MRLs have been introduced to accommodate new authorisations of plant protection products in GB and to set Import Tolerances.

The Evaluation Report and Reasoned Opinion supporting the new or raised MRLs is available at the following link. A complete list of the new or raised MRLs is available within this document, see page 7-9:

The evaluation of the new MRLs for mefentrifluconazole in or on various commodities (hse.gov.uk)

The residue levels arising in food or feed from the notified uses result in consumer exposures below the toxicological reference values and therefore harmful effects on human health are not expected. As the residue levels exceed the current MRLs in force, new or raised MRLs are being adopted.

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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 [] standard or related text): World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic [] Animal Health Code, chapter number): [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): [X] None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? []Yes []No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: There are no Codex MRLs (CXLs) for mefentrifluconazole. 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 19 January 2023 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 19 January 2023 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 19 January 2023 [X] Trade facilitating measure 12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: UK SPS Contact Point, Defra, Nobel House, London SW1P 3JR UKSPS@defra.gov.uk 13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: UK SPS Contact Point, Defra, Nobel House, London SW1P 3JR UKSPS@defra.gov.uk