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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
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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 S-metolachlor 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.	Title of the notified document: Proposed Maximum Residue Limit: S-metolachlor (PMRL2016-42) Language(s): English and French Number of pages: 6 and 8
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The objective of the notified document PMRL2016-42 is to consult on the listed domestic maximum residue limits (MRLs) for S-metolachlor 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
	<ul> <li>0.8 Oriental radish tops</li> <li>0.6 Parsnip roots</li> <li>0.5 Cucurbit vegetables (Crop Group 9)<sup>2</sup></li> <li>0.3 Edible-podded soybeans, oriental radish roots</li> <li>0.1 Leaf petioles vegetables (Crop Subgroup 22B)</li> </ul>
	$^{1}$ ppm = parts per million $^{2}$ The proposed MRL of 0.5 ppm will replace the currently established MRLs of 0.13 ppm for cucumbers and 0.10 ppm for melons (CSG 9A), pumpkins, and winter squash and will establish new MRLs for the remaining crops in Crop Group 9.
	MRLs are proposed for each commodity included in the listed crop groupings in accordance with the <i>Residue Chemistry Crop Groups</i> webpage ( <u>http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/protect-proteger/food-nourriture/rccg-gcpcr-eng.php</u> ) in the Pesticides and Pest Management section of Health Canada's 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 standard or related text)
	[] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic

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	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 [X] No
	If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: Currently, there are no Codex MRLs listed for S-metolachlor in or on any commodity according to the Codex Alimentarius Pesticide Residue in Food website.
9.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Health Canada website: <u>http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/index-eng.php</u> , PMRL2016-42, posted: 8 August 2016 (available in English and French)
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 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): 22 October 2016
	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 downloaded at: http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/ pmrl2016-42/index-eng.php (English)
	http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/ pmrl2016-42/index-fra.php (French)