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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

## Original: English

## 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): Benthiavalicarb (pesticide active substance)
- 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: Draft Commission Implementing Regulation concerning the non-renewal of the approval of the active substance Benthiavalicarb, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 5

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23 11316 00 e.pdf

6. **Description of content:** This draft Commission Implementing Regulation provides that the approval of the active substance Benthiavalicarb is not renewed in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009. EU member States shall withdraw authorisations for plant protection products containing Benthiavalicarb as an active substance. The non-renewal of approval is based on the first evaluation of the substance for use as a pesticide active substance in the European Union under Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009. The substance was formerly assessed and approved under Directive 91/414/ EEC.

This decision only concerns the placing on the market of this substance and plant protection products containing it. Following non-approval and the expiry of all grace periods for stocks of products containing this substance, separate action will likely be taken on MRLs and a separate notification will be made in accordance with SPS procedures.

This draft Commission Implementing Regulation was also notified under the TBT Agreement in notice G/TBT/N/EU/997.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] animal health, [X] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [X] 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*):

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	[] 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:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
	<ul> <li>Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:32009R1107">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:32009R1107</a></li> <li>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011 of 25 May 2011</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011 of 25 May 2011 implementing Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the list of approved active substances (<i>OJ L 153, 11.6.2011, p. 1–186</i>)</li> <li>https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:32011R0540</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/408 of 11 March 2015 on implementing Article 80(7) of Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and establishing a list of candidates for substitution (<i>OJ L 67, 12.3.2015, p. 18–22</i>)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:32015R0408</u></li> <li>EFSA (European Food Safety Authority), 2022. Peer review of the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance benthiavalicarb. <u>https://doi.org/10.2903/j.efsa.2021.6833</u></li> <li>(available in English)</li> </ul>
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter 2023.
	Proposed date of publication ( <i>dd/mm/yy</i> ): 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter 2023.
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 20 days following publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.
	[] Trade facilitating measure
12.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> [] <b>Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (</b> <i>dd/mm/yy</i> <b>):</b> Not applicable. Comments are only welcomed on TBT related issues and to be addressed to the TBT Enquiry Point on notice G/TBT/N/EU/997.
	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
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13.	Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
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