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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:				
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 difenoconazole in or on leaves of root and tuber vegetables (ICS: 65.020, 65.100, 67.040, 67.080).				
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:				
5. Title of the notified document: Proposed Maximum Residue Limit: Difenoconazole (PMRL2023-43). Language(s): English and French. Number of pages: 7 and 8				
6. Description of content: The objective of the notified document PMRL2023-43 is to consult on the listed maximum residue limit (MRL) for difenoconazole that has been proposed by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA). <table><thead><tr><th>MRL (ppm)¹</th><th>Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>8.0</td><td>Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (human food or animal feed) (crop group 2, except garden beet tops², radish leaves³ and turnip greens³)</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>¹ ppm = parts per million ² Garden beet tops are excluded from this MRL action as an MRL of 8.0 ppm is already established for this commodity. ³ Radish leaves and turnip greens are excluded from this MRL action as an MRL of 35 ppm is already established for these commodities.</p> <p>The commodities included in the listed crop groups/subgroups can be found on the <i>Residue Chemistry Crop Groups</i> webpage (https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/protecting-your-health-environment/pesticides-food/residue-chemistry-crop-groups.html) in the Pesticides section of the Canada.ca website.</p>	MRL (ppm) ¹	Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity	8.0	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (human food or animal feed) (crop group 2, except garden beet tops ² , radish leaves ³ and turnip greens ³)
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7. Objective and rationale: <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>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): 224 Difenoconazole</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: Currently, there are no Codex MRLs listed for difenoconazole in or on the petitioned commodities according to the Codex Alimentarius Pesticide Index website.</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Health Canada website: https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations.html, PMRL2023-43, posted: 14 September 2023 (available in English and French)</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Normally within 4 to 5 months from the posting of the Proposed MRL document on the Health Canada web site.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): On the date the measure is adopted.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 28 November 2023</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>

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:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations/proposed-maximum-residue-limit/2023/difenoconazole-leaves-of-root-and-tuber-vegetables/document.html> (English)

<https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/securite-produits-consommation/pesticides-lutte-antiparasitaire/public/consultations/limites-maximales-residus-proposees/2023/difenoconazole-feuilles-legumes-racines-et-legumes-tubercules/document.html> (French)

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