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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 17 October 2023, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Switzerland.

Ordinance on the placing on the market of phytosanitary products (Ordonance sur la mise en circulation des produits phytosanitaires)

The Ordinance on phytosanitary products (RS 916.161, OPPh) was notified in document G/SPS/N/CHE/82 of 19 December 2019. The OPPh establishes conditions for the placing on the market of phytosanitary products. Annex 1 to the OPPh contains a list of active substances that may be used as phytosanitary products in Switzerland. A new substance is included in this Annex if, once the application accompanying the request has been examined, it meets the conditions established in Article 5. The following amendment of the OPPh includes three new chemical substances: Kieselgur (diatomaceous earth), Mefentrifluconazole and Oxathiapiprolin. The substance Kieselgur (diatomaceous earth) replaces the substance siliciumoxyde previously listed in this Annex, which is accordingly deleted from the Annex. Kieselgur (diatomaceous earth) better describes the substance currently contained in the approved plant protection product with siliciumoxyde and thus also corresponds to the equivalent designation in the EU. One microorganism (*Bacillus firmus*) is deleted from the Annex for formal reasons. For the substance *Cydia pomonella* Granulovirus there is a formal change to the name as well the addition of the classification as a "low-risk substance". These amendments are in alignment with EU decisions and regulations. Details are stipulated in the attached draft document.

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/CHE/23_13029_00_f.pdf

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