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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 26 March 2024, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Switzerland.

Ordinance on the placing on the market of phytosanitary products

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. On the other hand, a substance will be removed when it is withdrawn in the European Union.

The following amendment of the OPPh includes the removal of five chemical substances: Benthiavalicarb, Clofentezine, Metiram, S-Metolachlor and Triflurosulfuron-methyl. All have already been withdrawn in the European Union and are given the same length in grace periods. The macroorganism *Trissolcus basalis* will be added to the Annex. The IUPAC- name of the substance Bifenazate is corrected; the substance Calcium carbonate is supplemented by the variant Limestone; the active substance Fatty acids C7 to C20 is supplemented by various variants; the substance Octanoic acid is removed as an independent entry, as it is already listed under Fatty acids C7 to C20 as variant: Caprylic acid (octanoic acid); the substance Tribenuron is supplemented by the variant Tribenuron-methyl whereby Tribenuron-methyl is removed from the Annex as an independent entry; and the name of the microorganism *Paecilomyces lilacinus* is given a new name.

These amendments are in alignment with EU decisions and regulations. Details are stipulated in the attached draft document.

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/CHE/24_02254_00_f.pdf

This addendum concerns a:

- Modification of final date for comments
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