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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, received on 26 September 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 On the other hand, a substance will be removed when it is withdrawn in the European Union.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 six chemical substances (Acibenzolar-S-methyl, Asulam, Dimethomorph, Mepanipyrim, Spinetoram, Spirotetramat) as well as one microorganism (*Adoxophyes orana* granulovirus BV-0001). They have already been withdrawn (Acibenzolar-S-methyl, Dimethomorph, Mepanipyrim), have expired without an application for renewal (*Adoxophyes orana* granulovirus BV-0001, Spinetoram, Spirotetramat) or were not approved (Asulam) in the European Union and are given the same length in grace periods. The microorganisms "*Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* - strain MBI 600", "Pepino mosaic virus - strain LP, isolate VX1" and "Pepino mosaic virus - strain CH2, isolate VC1" as well as the macroorganism "" and the basic substance "Chitosan" will be added to the Annex. The substance "Proteins" will be *Chysoperla lucasina* changed to "blood meal" as well as adding the CAS-Nr. and CIPAC-Nr. in accordance to EU regulation. The basic substance "sodium hydrogen carbonate" will be extended with the use in berries.

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_06319_00_f.pdf

This addendum concerns a:

- Modification of final date for comments
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