

21 August 2009
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PROPOSAL – ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENT

M1004	Date Administrative Assessment Completed (proposal prepared): 7 August 2009	
<p>Title: Maximum Residue Limits (September-December 2008, January-March 2009)</p> <p>Brief Description of Proposal: To amend residue limits for certain agricultural and veterinary chemicals and make minor clarifications to Standard 1.4.2.</p>		<p>Potentially Affected Standard in the Code: Standard 1.4.2</p>
<p>Procedure: General</p> <p>Reasons why: The default procedure applies. This Proposal involves consideration of public health and safety and risk management of a routine nature and is likely to have limited economic impact.</p>	<p>Cost Category (General Procedure): Up to 500 hours</p> <p>Estimated total hours: 427 hours</p> <p>Reasons why: Varying maximum residue limits</p>	<p>Estimated start work: August 2009</p>

Other Comments or Relevant Matters:

This Proposal seeks to amend maximum residue limits (MRLs) for certain agricultural and veterinary chemicals in the *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code* (the Code). This is a routine process to maintain standards in the Code to allow the sale of food with legitimate chemical residues.

This Proposal includes consideration of MRLs gazetted by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) from September 2008 to March 2009. This includes consideration of incorporating MRLs in Standard 1.4.2 for new chemicals chlorantraniliprole, spinetoram and spirotetramat. FSANZ received the September 2008 MRL notifications from the APVMA in May 2009, October 2008 to March 2009 were received in April 2009 and the chlorantraniliprole MRLs gazetted by the APVMA in October 2008 were notified to FSANZ in February 2009.

This Proposal also includes consideration of varying MRLs for bifenthrin, boscalid, chlorpyrifos, cypermethrin, fenvalerate, flubendiamide, fludioxonil, lambda-cyhalothrin, myclobutanil, permethrin, pyraclostrobin, pyrimethanil and quinoxifen for a range of foods in the Standard as a result of information provided by industry.

This Proposal also includes consideration of some minor clarifications to Standard 1.4.2. The proposed edits are not intended to alter the intent or application of the Standard.

DECISION

Proposal prepared

Date: 7 August 2009

CONSULTATION & ASSESSMENT TIMEFRAME

<p>Consultation Strategy: Proposed length of public consultation period: General Procedure (4 weeks)</p>	<p>Community Involvement Category: 5 Minor significance or complexity</p>												
<p>Proposed Timeframe for Assessment:</p> <p>'Early Bird Notification' due: N/A</p> <p><u>General Procedure:</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Commence Assessment (clock start)</td> <td>Mid-August 2009</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Completion of Assessment</td> <td>Late October 2009</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Public comment</td> <td>Early November – Early December 2009</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Board to complete Approval</td> <td>Early February 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Notification to Ministerial Council</td> <td>Late February 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Anticipated gazettal if no review requested</td> <td>Early May 2010</td> </tr> </table>		Commence Assessment (clock start)	Mid-August 2009	Completion of Assessment	Late October 2009	Public comment	Early November – Early December 2009	Board to complete Approval	Early February 2010	Notification to Ministerial Council	Late February 2010	Anticipated gazettal if no review requested	Early May 2010
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