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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
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): Products that use the pesticide Difubenzuron, specifically grass, forage, fodder, and hay group 17; pepper at; stone fruit group 12 (except cherries); nut, tree, group 14; almond, hulls; pistachio; cattle, meat by-products; goat, meat by-products; hog, meat byproducts; horse, meat by-products; sheep, meat.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Any U.S. trading partners
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Diflubenzuron; Pesticide Tolerances, (available in English, 12 pages).
6.	Description of content: This regulation establishes tolerances for the combined residues of the insecticide difubenzuron (N-[[4-chlorophenyl] amino]- carbonyl] -2, 6-difluorobenzamide) and its metabolites, 4-chlorophenylurea (CPU) and 4-chloroaniline (PCA) in or on grass, forage, fodder, and hay group 17 at 6.0 ppm; pepper at 1.0 ppm; stone fruit group 12 (except cherries) at 0.07 ppm; nut, tree, group 14 at 0.06 ppm; almond, hulls at 6.0 ppm; pistachio at 0.06 ppm; cattle, meat byproducts at 0.15 ppm; goat, meat by-products at 0.15 ppm; hog, meat by-products at 0.15 ppm;- horse, meat by-products at 0.15 ppm; sheep, meat by-products at 0.15 ppm. This regulation is increasing the tolerance level for meat by-products of cattle, goat, hog, horse, and sheep. This regulation is also changing the tolerance on pasture grass to grass, forage, fodder, and hay group 17.
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [X] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: [] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [] Office International des Epizooties, [] International Plant Protection Convention, [X] None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:

9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: DOCID: fr19se02-14, Federal Register: 19 September 2002 (Volume 67, Number 182) Pages 59006-59017, http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-PEST/2002/September/Day-19/p23818.htm ; Available in English
10. Proposed date of adoption: n.a.
11. Proposed date of entry into force: 19 September 2002
12. Final date for comments: 18 November 2002 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. opp-docket@epa.gov Note: Identify docket name "AOPP-2002-0224" in subject line of your response.
13. Texts available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Mr. Bill Janis, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Stop 1027, Washington, DC 20250. Tel (202) 720-9047, (202) 720-0677, fstd@usda.gov