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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 insecticide Flonicamid such as Brassica, leafy vegetables and mustard greens
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Any US trade partners
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Notice: Flonicamid; Notice of Filing a Pesticide Petition to Establish a Tolerance for a Certain Pesticide Chemical in or on Food (Available in English, 4 pages)
6.	Description of content: This notice announces the initial filing of a pesticide petition proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of the insecticide flonicamid (N-(cyanomethyl)-4-trifluoromethyl)-3-pyridinecarboxamide (CA) or N-cyanomethyl-4-trifluoromethylnicotinamide (IUPAC) and its metabolites, TFNA [4-trifluoromethylnicotinic acid, TFNA-AM (4 trifluoromethylnicotinamide) and TFNG N-(4-trifluoromethylnicotinoyl)-glycine) in or on the raw agricultural commodities: Brassica, head and stem, subgroup 5-A, at 1.5 parts per million (ppm), and mustard greens at 11 ppm.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: NA
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: DOCID:fr, <u>Federal Register</u> : 7 July 2004 (Volume 69 , Number 129) Page 40916-40920; http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-PEST/2004/July/Day-07/p15206.htm (Available in English)
10.	Proposed date of adoption: Not specified

11. Proposed date of entry into force: Not specified
12. Final date for comments: 6 August 2004 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 "OPP-2004-0132" 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: Ms. Julie Morin, United States SPS Inquiry Point Officer, USDA Foreign Agriculture Service, Food Safety & Technical Services Division, Stop 1027, Washington D.C. 20250. Tel: 202-720-4051; Fax: 202-720-7772; E-mail: fstd@usda.gov