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**Report Highlights:**

On January 11, 2021, the Chinese Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs (MARA) issued biosafety certificates for imports of two new traits along with the renewal of three others. On the same day, MARA issued biosafety certificates for expanding the cultivation area of two corn traits developed by a Chinese developer and renewed the biosafety certificate for virus resistant papaya.
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The tables, below, were released on MARA’s website. The material, below, is an unofficial translation of the information on those websites.

Information for Table 1 can be found here: [MARA’s webpage for the second batch of biosafety certificates for imports issued to overseas developers](link in Chinese).

Information for Table 2 can be found here: [MARA’s webpage for the second batch of biosafety certificates for production and application](link in Chinese).

Information for Table 3 can be found here: [MARA’s webpage listing two plant varieties for which it intends to issue biosafety certificates](link in Chinese).

### Second Batch of Biosafety Certificates for Imports and for Production and Application

**Table 1. China: List of the Second Batch of Biosafety Certificate (Import) Issued to Overseas Developers**

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Table 2. China: List of the Second Batch of Biosafety Certificate for Production and Application

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<td>Nong Ji An Zheng Zi (2020) No. 203</td>
<td>Institute of Microbiology, China Academy of Sciences</td>
<td>Biosafety certificate for production and application of Pig λ1 Interferon from recombinant Escherichia coli BL 21(rBL21-PoIFN-λ1)</td>
<td>12/29/2020 – 12/28/2025</td>
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<td>Nong Ji An Zheng Zi (2020) No. 218</td>
<td>Beijing DaBeiNong Biotechnology Co., Ltd.</td>
<td>Biosafety certificate for production and application of pest resistant and herbicide tolerant corn DBN 9936 with <em>cry1Ab</em> and <em>epsps</em> genes in the Yellow River, Huaihe River, and Haihe River region summer corn area</td>
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<td>Biosafety certificate for production and application of pest resistant and herbicide tolerant corn DBN 9936 with <em>cry1Ab</em> and <em>epsps</em> genes in the South China corn area</td>
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<td>Beijing DaBeiNong Biotechnology Co., Ltd.</td>
<td>Biosafety certificate for production and application of pest resistant and herbicide tolerant corn DBN 9936 with <em>cry1Ab</em> and <em>epsps</em> genes in the southwest corn area</td>
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Table 3. China: List Naming Two Plant Varieties that MARA Intends to Issue Biosafety Certificates

MARA published the names of two plant varieties for which it intends to issue biosafety certificates (for production and application). Any objection to the naming of the two varieties can be submitted to the Department of Science, Technology and Education of MARA during the comment period from January 11 to February 1, 2021.

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<th>No.</th>
<th>Variety Name</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>DBN9501</td>
<td>North China spring corn region</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>DBN9004</td>
<td>North China spring soybean region</td>
<td>Beijing DaBeiNong Biotechnology Co., Ltd.</td>
<td>Pursuant to the “Provisions of the Naming of Agriculture Plant Varieties”, apply to change the variety name from “DBN-09004-6” to “DBN9004”¹</td>
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Attachments:

No Attachments.

¹ The DBN soybean DBN-09004-6 obtained a biosafety certificate for import in June 2020.