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Notifies WTO of Revised Butylated Hydroxyanisole Residue Standards

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Report Highlights:

On April 25, 2019, Japan notified the World Trade Organization of draft amendments to the maximum residue levels (MRL) for the feed additive, Butylated Hydroxyanisole, via [G/SPS/N/JPN/637](#). There will be no public comment period established for this proposal as this proposal relaxes the regulation. However, interested U.S. parties are welcomed to share their comments and/or concerns with USDA's enquiry point (us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov).

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General Information:

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(The following is taken from Japan's notification)

Annex 1 – Japan's Revised MRL for Butylated Hydroxyanisole

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm	MRL (current) ppm
Pig, muscle	0.03	0.03
Pig, fat	○ 0.1	0.04
Pig, liver	○ 0.04	0.03
Pig, kidney	○ 0.05	0.02
Pig, edible offal ¹	○ 0.1	0.02
Chicken, muscle	0.02	0.02
Chicken, fat	○ 0.05	0.02
Chicken, liver	0.02	0.02
Chicken, kidney	0.02	0.02
Chicken, edible offal	○ 0.05	0.02
Chicken eggs ※	○ 0.06	0.02
Salmoniformes (such as salmon and trout)	0.5	0.5
Anguilliformes (such as eel)	0.5	0.5
Perciformes (such as bonito, horse mackerel, mackerel, sea bass, sea bream and tuna)	0.5	0.5
Other fish ²	0.5	0.5

○ : Commodities for which MRLs are to be increased or newly set.

* The uniform limit 0.01 ppm will be applied to commodities for which draft MRLs are not given in this table and to commodities not listed above.

* Shaded figures indicate provisional MRLs.

Note: The residue definition is butylated hydroxyanisole only. The residue definition will not be changed.

※ For chicken eggs, the portion to which the MRL (current) apply is egg white, and the portion to which the MRL (draft) apply is whole egg.

1. "Edible offal" refers to all edible parts, except muscle, fat, liver and kidney.

2. "Other fish" refers to all fish, except Salmoniformes, Anguilliformes and Perciformes.