NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Canada  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA), Health Canada |
| **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):** Pesticide difenoconazole in or on various commodities (ICS Codes: 65.020, 65.100, 67.040, 67.080) |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X]** **All trading partners**  **[ ]****Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Proposed Maximum Residue Limit: Difenoconazole (PMRL2021-01).**Language(s):** English and French. **Number of pages:** 5 |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The objective of the notified document PMRL2021-01 is to consult on the listed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for difenoconazole that have been proposed by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA).  MRL (ppm)1 Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity  8.0 Garden beet tops, radish tops  0.6 Root vegetable (crop subgroup 1A)2  1 ppm = parts per million  2 This MRL is proposed to replace the current MRLs for carrot and sugar beet roots.  An MRL is proposed for each commodity included in the listed crop groupings in accordance with the *Residue Chemistry Crop Groups* webpage (<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/protecting-your-health-environment/pesticides-food/residue-chemistry-crop-groups.html>) in the Pesticides and Pest Management section of the Canada.ca website. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[****X]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** 224 Difenoconazole  **[ ]****World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]****International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]****None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[ ]****Yes [****X]** **No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** Table 2 of the PMRL document compares the MRLs proposed for difenoconazole in Canada with corresponding Codex MRLs. |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** Health Canada website: <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations.html>, PMRL2021-01, posted: 9 February 2021 (available in English and French) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Normally within four to five months from the posting of the Proposed MRL document on the Health Canada website.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** On the date the measure is adopted.  **[ ]****Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 25 April 2021  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  The electronic version of the regulatory text can be downloaded at:  <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations/proposed-maximum-residue-limit/2021/difenoconazole/document.html> (English)  <https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/securite-produits-consommation/pesticides-lutte-antiparasitaire/public/consultations/limites-maximales-residus-proposees/2021/difenoconazole/document.html> (French)  Canada's Notification Authority and Enquiry Point  Technical Barriers and Regulations Division  Global Affairs Canada  111 Sussex Drive  Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0G2  Canada  Tel: +(343) 203 4273  Fax: +(613) 943 0346  E-mail: enquirypoint@international.gc.ca |