NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** EUROPEAN UNION  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General |
| **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):** Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding (HS code(s): 2309) |
| **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:** Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1419 of 22 August 2022 concerning the authorisation of buchu leaf essential oil from *Agathosma betulina* (P.J. Bergius) Pillans as a feed additive for all animal species (Text with EEA relevance).**Language(s):** English, French and Spanish. **Number of pages:** 5  [https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22\_5759\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22_5759_00_e.pdf" \t "_blank)  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22_5759_00_f.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/EEC/22_5759_00_s.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** Buchu leaves oil was authorised without a time limit in accordance with Directive 70/524/EEC as a feed additive for all animal species. That additive was subsequently entered in the Register of feed additives as an existing product, in accordance with Article 10(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003. In accordance with Article 10(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 in conjunction with Article 7 thereof, an application was submitted for the re-evaluation of an essential oil from the leaves of *Agathosma betulina* (P.J. Bergius) Pillans (buchu leaf essential oil) for all animal species. The applicant requested the additive to be classified in the additive category 'sensory additives' and in the functional group 'flavouring compounds'. That application was accompanied by the particulars and documents required under Article 7(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003. The applicant requested the additive to be authorised also for use in water for drinking. However, Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003 does not allow the authorisation of flavouring compounds for use in water for drinking. Therefore, the use of buchu leaf essential oil from *Agathosma betulina* (P.J. Bergius) Pillans in water for drinking should not be allowed. The Authority further concluded, that buchu leaf essential oil from *Agathosma betulina* (P.J. Bergius) Pillans is recognised to flavour food and its function in feed would be essentially the same as that in food, therefore, no further demonstration of efficacy is considered necessary. It also verified the report on the methods of analysis of the feed additive in feed submitted by the Reference Laboratory set up by Regulation (EC) No 1831/2003. |
| **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)*:** Code of practice on Good Animal Feeding CAC/RCP 54-2004  **[****]** **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?**  **[****X]** **Yes [****]** **No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 22 August 2022  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 23 August 2022 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.  **[****X]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Not applicable  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e‑mail address (if available) of other body:**  European Commission  DG Health and Food Safety, Unit D2-Multilateral International Relations  Rue Froissart 101  B-1049 Brussels  Tel: +(32 2) 29 54263  Fax: +(32 2) 29 98090  E-mail: [sps@ec.europa.eu](mailto:sps@ec.europa.eu) |
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