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):** Animal feed |
| **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:** DraftCommission Delegated Regulation (EU) amending Annexes I and II to Directive 2002/32/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum levels and action thresholds for arsenic, cadmium, lead, nickel, rye ergot, delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol, endosulfan, heptachlor, hexachlorbenzene, hexachlorohexane, dioxins and PCBs, *Datura* sp., certain coccidiostats and histomonostats and p-phenetidine in animal feed (text with EEA relevance).**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 8+17[https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23\_14733\_00\_e.pdf](https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_14733_00_e.pdf%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)<https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/EEC/23_14733_01_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The draft Delegated Regulation amends the Annexes to Directive 2002/32/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on undesirable substances taking into account the experience in implementation of the Directive and the outcome of scientific opinions from the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA).The changes in the Annexes to the Directive relate to:* the establishment of maximum levels for nickel, Δ9-tetrahydrocannabinol (Δ9-THC) and p-phenetidine;
* certain maximum levels for arsenic, cadmium, lead, rye ergot, endosulfan, heptachlor, hexachlorobenzene, hexachlorocyclohexane, dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs, *Datura* seeds;
* the section on authorised feed additives in feed for non-target animal species following unavoidable carry-over following changes in the conditions of authorisation of certain feed additives;
* certain action levels for dioxins and PCBs.
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| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****food safety, [****X]****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:****[****]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:** **[****]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** **[****]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[****X]** **None****Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?** **[****]** **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)*:** March 2024.**Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** March 2024. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 20 days following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.**[****]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 16 February 2024**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 CommissionDG Health and Food Safety, Unit A4-Multilateral International RelationsRue Froissart 101B-1049 BrusselsTel: +(32 2) 29 54263E-mail: sps@ec.europa.eu |
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