NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** United States of America  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Environmental Protection Agency |
| **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):** Cherry subgroup 12-12A; Corn, sweet, forage; Corn, sweet, kernel plus cob with husks removed; Corn, sweet, stover; Cottonseed subgroup 20C; Fruit, pome, group 11-10; Nut, tree group 14-12; Peach subgroup 12-12B; Plum subgroup 12‑12C |
| **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:** Etoxazole; Pesticide Tolerances. Final Rule. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 5  <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-15/html/2018-22279.htm> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This regulation establishes tolerances for residues of etoxazole in or on multiple commodities. |
| **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)*:**Codex pesticide number 241 <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticide-detail/en/?p_id=241>  Codex has established maximum residue limits (MRLs) for residues of etoxazole in or on pome fruit (0.07 ppm) and tree nut (0.01 ppm).  **[ ]** **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:** The US tolerances are harmonized for tree nuts, but cannot be harmonized for pome fruit because data provided to EPA support a higher tolerance than the Codex limit. |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-10-23/html/2017-22865.htm> (available in English) |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 15 October 2018  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 15 October 2018 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** 15 October 2018  **[ ]** **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: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Michael L. Goodis, P.E., Director, Registration Division (7505P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; Main telephone number: +(703) 305 7090; E-mail: RDFRNotices@epa.gov |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [ ]****National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-10-15/html/2018-22279.htm> |