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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>CANADA</u> 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 metalaxyl in or on the rapeseed subgroup (Crop Subgroup 20A) and condiment type mustard seeds (ICS Codes: 65.020, 65.100, 67.200)				
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:				
5. Title of the notified document: Proposed Maximum Residue Limit: Metalaxyl (PMRL2012-44) Language(s): English and French Number of pages: 4 and 5				
6. Description of content: The objective of the notified document PMRL2012-44 is to consult on the listed domestic maximum residue limits (MRLs) for metalaxyl that have been proposed by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA). <table><thead><tr><th><u>MRL (ppm)</u></th><th><u>Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity</u></th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>0.1</td><td>Rapeseed Subgroup (Crop Subgroup 20A)^a, mustard seeds (condiment type)^b</td></tr></tbody></table> ppm = parts per million ^a An MRL of 0.1 ppm is currently established for "rapeseeds (canola)". This action proposes to extend the same MRL to the remaining food commodities within Crop Subgroup 20A. ^b An MRL of 0.1 ppm is currently established for "mustard seeds". This action proposes to replace the "mustard seeds" commodity descriptor with specific MRLs for each of the condiment and oilseed types. Oilseed type mustard seeds are captured under Crop Subgroup 20A and condiment type is listed above. MRLs are proposed for each food commodity included in the rapeseed subgroup in accordance with the Residue Chemistry Crop Groups webpage (" http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/protect-proteger/food-nourriture/rccg-gcpcr-eng.php ") in the Pesticides and Pest Management section of Health Canada's website.	<u>MRL (ppm)</u>	<u>Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity</u>	0.1	Rapeseed Subgroup (Crop Subgroup 20A) ^a , mustard seeds (condiment type) ^b
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7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (<i>e.g. ISPM number</i>)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Health Canada website: http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/index-eng.php, PMRL2012-44, posted: 15 November 2012 (available in English and French)</p>
10.	<p>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.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): On the date the measure is adopted.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 January 2013</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
13.	<p>Texts available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>The electronic version of the regulatory text can be downloaded at: http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/pmrl2012-44/index-eng.php (English) http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/cps-spc/pest/part/consultations/pmrl2012-44/index-fra.php (French)</p>