

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>UNITED STATES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
3.	<b>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):</b> Products that use the pesticide Flumioxazin
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Any US trading partners.
5.	<b>Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Flumioxazin; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions (available in English, 7 pages).
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> This regulation establishes a time-limited tolerance for residues of flumioxazin in or on sweet potato, roots in connection with a crisis exemption declared by the State of Louisiana. This regulation establishes a maximum permissible level for residues of flumioxazin in this food commodity. The maximum tolerance for residues of the herbicide flumioxazin, 2-[7-fluoro-3,4-dihydro-3-oxo-4-(2-propynyl)-2H-1,4-benzoxazin-6-yl]-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-isoindole-1,3(2H)-dione, in or on sweet potato, roots are 0.02 parts per million (ppm). This tolerance will expire and is revoked on 30 June 2006. EPA will publish a document in the Federal Register to remove the revoked tolerance from the Code of Federal Regulations.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	<b>International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties, <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b> not applicable
9.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> DOCID:fr27au03-13, <u>Federal Register</u> : 27 August 2003 (Volume 68, Number 166) Page; <a href="http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-PEST/2003/August/Day-27/p21662.htm">http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-PEST/2003/August/Day-27/p21662.htm</a> ; (available in English.
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> Not applicable
11.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 27 August 2003

**12. Final date for comments: 27 October 2003**

**Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ X ] National notification authority, [ ] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:**

Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Information Resources and Services Division (7502C), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. opp-docket@epa.gov  
Note: Identify docket name "OPP-2003-0253" in subject line of your response.

**13. Texts available from: [ ] National notification authority, [ X ] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:**

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