

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

<b>1. Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>CANADA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA), Department of Health
<b>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):</b> Imidacloprid (ICS: 65.100.10, 67.060, 67.080.10)
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> not stated
<b>5. Title, language and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Proposed Amendment to the Food and Drug Regulations (1367 — Imidacloprid) (available in English and French; pages 2615-2618).
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA), of Health Canada, has recently approved applications to amend the registration of imidacloprid in order to allow its use for the control of colorado potato beetle on eggplants as a pre-plant soil-incorporated treatment or as a foliar treatment; and for the control of corn flea beetle and wireworms on field corn and sweet corn as a seed treatment. This proposed regulatory amendment would establish Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) for residues of imidacloprid and its metabolites containing the 6-chloropicolyl moiety resulting from these uses in eggplants, field corn grain (the kernels of field corn) and sweet corn kernel plus cob with husks removed, in order to permit the sale of food containing these residues.  After the review of all available data, the PMRA has determined that MRLs for imidacloprid and its metabolites containing the 6-chloropicolyl moiety of 0.08 p.p.m. in eggplants, and 0.05 p.p.m. in field corn grain and sweet corn kernel plus cob with husks removed would not pose an unacceptable health risk to the public.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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
<b>8. International standard, guideline or recommendation:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <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>

<b>9.</b>	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Canada Gazette, Part I, 25 September 2004 (available in English and French)
<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> Normally within 5 to 8 months of publication in the Canada Gazette, Part I.
<b>11.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> On the date the measure is adopted.
<b>12.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 9 December 2004 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:
<b>13.</b>	<b>Texts available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:  The electronic version of the regulatory text can be downloaded at: <a href="http://canadagazette.gc.ca/partI/2004/20040925/pdf/g1-13839.pdf">http://canadagazette.gc.ca/partI/2004/20040925/pdf/g1-13839.pdf</a>