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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 10 October 2001, has been received from the United States.

Fenthion, Methidathion, Naled, Phorate, and Profenofos; Tolerance Revocations

This Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) final rule (previously notified as G/SPS/N/USA/251) revokes specific tolerances listed in the regulatory text for 67 meat, milk, poultry, and egg (MMPE) tolerances for residues of the organophosphate pesticides fenthion, methidathion, naled, phorate, and profenofos. EPA determined that there are no reasonable expectations of finite residues in or on meat, milk, poultry, or eggs for the aforementioned organophosphate pesticides and therefore, these tolerances are not necessary. EPA announced on August 2, 1999, that those tolerances were reassessed under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA). The regulatory actions in this document are part of the Agency's re-registration programme under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), and the tolerance reassessment requirements of the FFDCA. By law, EPA is required to reassess 66 per cent of the tolerances in existence on 2 August 1996, by August 2002, or about 6,400 tolerances. Since those 67 tolerances were previously reassessed, those reassessments were counted at that time. Consequently, no reassessments are counted here toward the August 2002 review deadline of FFDCA section 408(q), as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA) of 1996.

This regulation is effective 3 January 2002. Objections and requests for hearings must be received by EPA on or before 4 December 2001.

The full text of this 5 page addendum (final rule), including instructions for submitting objections and request for hearing is available from the address below.

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