

# 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
3.	<b>Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Pesticides
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Notice of Filing of Pesticide Petitions to Establish a (exemption from) Tolerance for a Certain Pesticide Chemical in or on Food - <i>Bacillus cereus</i> strain BPO1 and diallyl sulfides (DADs) (5 pages)
5.	<p><b>Description of content:</b> This notice announces the initial filing of pesticide petitions proposing the establishment of regulations for residues of certain pesticide chemicals in or on various food commodities.</p> <p>EPA has received a pesticide petition proposing pursuant to section 408(d) of the FFDCA, 21 U.S.C. 346a(d), to amend 40 CFR part 180 to establish an amendment/expansion of an existing tolerance exemption for the microbial pesticide <i>Bacillus cereus</i> strain BP01 in or on all raw agricultural commodities. EPA has not fully evaluated the merits of the pesticide petition. The summary in the full text may have been edited by EPA if the terminology used was unclear, the summary contained extraneous material, or the summary unintentionally made the reader conclude that the findings reflected EPA's position and not the position of the petitioner.</p> <p>EPA has received a pesticide petition proposing pursuant to section 408(d) of the FFDCA, 21 U.S.C. 346a(d), to amend 40 CFR part 180, to establish an exemption from the requirement of a tolerance for the biochemical pesticide diallyl sulfides (DADs). EPA has not fully evaluated the merits of the pesticide petition. The summary in the full text may have been edited by EPA if the terminology used was unclear, the summary contained extraneous material, or the summary unintentionally made the reader conclude that the findings reflected EPA's position and not the position of the petitioner.</p>
6.	<b>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
7.	<p><b>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>.</p> <p><b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b> There are no Codex Maximum Residue Levels or tolerance exemptions for <i>Bacillus cereus</i> strain BP01. There is no Codex Alimentarius Commission Maximum Residue Level for DADs.</p>

<b>8.</b>	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> 66 FR 58481, 21 November 2001 (Available in English)
<b>9.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined
<b>10.</b>	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> To be determined
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> Comments must be received on or before 21 December 2001.</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> Environmental Protection Agency</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>National notification authority,</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>Detailed instructions on where and how to send comments is in the body of the full text which will be sent upon request to the address in paragraph 12</p>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Texts available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>National notification authority,</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>United States SPS Enquiry Point/Notification Authority          USDA/FAS/FSTSD          ATTN: Carolyn F. Wilson          Room 5545 South Agriculture Building          Stop 1027          1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.          Washington, D.C. 20250          Tel: (202) 720-2239          Fax: (202) 690-0677          E-mail: <a href="mailto:ofsts@fas.usda.gov">ofsts@fas.usda.gov</a></p>