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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI)
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): vegetables; fruit; animal and other food products.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [specific regions or countries] or [X] all trading partners
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Proposals to Amend (No. 2) the New Zealand (Maximum Residue Limits of Agricultural Compounds) Food Standards 2013, (English), (20 pages).
6.	Description of content: The document contains technical details on proposals to amend the New Zealand (Maximum Residue Limits of Agricultural Compounds) Food Standards 2012. MPI proposes to add the following new MRLs to the MRL Standards: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 0.01 mg/kg for chlorpyrifos when used as an insecticide in potatoes• 0.01 mg/kg for kasugamycin when used as a bactericide in kiwifruit• 0.01 mg/kg for propiconazole when used as a fungicide in avocados MPI proposes to exempt the following substance from the MRL Standards: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extend the current exemption for benzalkonium chloride to use on avocados and use as bactericide on kiwifruit• Extend the current exemption for chlorine dioxide to use as a bactericide• Extend the current exemption for fatty acids of 8 carbons or more in their chains, and their salts to use as a plant growth regulator• Harpin protein when used as a plant elicitor on horticultural crop• Oxalic acid when used in beehives

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extend the current exemption for potassium bicarbonate to use as plant growth regulator • Soya bean oil when used as a fungicide • Synthetic latex when used as an anti pod shatter
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.	Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission [(e.g., title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)] <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) [(e.g., Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)] <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention [(e.g., ISPM N°)] <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	Proposed date of adoption: 12/3/14 Proposed date of publication: 12/03/14
11.	Proposed date of entry into force 12/03/14 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:
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