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Update on the review of pesticides in the European Union and implications for methyl bromide and chemical alternatives

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TOPICS

- Existing active substances
- New active substances
- Amending Directive 91/414
- Status of alternatives



Existing active substances





Prolongation of deadline



◆ First stage: 2003 (exceptionally 2005)

◆ Second stage: 2005

◆ Third stage: 2008

♦ Fourth stage: 2008





State of the Review Program for existing active substances

Existing active substances (on the market in July 1993)

Stage 1: 90 active substances (Regulation 3600/92)

Stage 2: 148 active substances (Regulations 451/2000 and 703/2001)

Stage 3: 399 active substances (Regulations 451/2000 and 1490/2002)

Stage 4: 384 active substances (Regulation 1112/2002 and Decision 2003/565/EC)



Situation today



All draft evaluation reports received

Peer review finalized

Decisions - inclusion: 39

- non-inclusion: 27

Decisions under discussion: 24



Regulation 451/2000 (148 substances)

- ♦ 96 substances withdrawn in 2002
- **♦** Dossiers for 53 substances
- ◆ 1 incomplete non inclusion in 2003
- **♦** Draft Assessment Reports in 2003
- **♦** Peer review by EFSA
- **♦** Decisions 2004-2005



Stage 3 - 399 substances

Basic rules: Regulation 451/2000

Regulation 1490/2002

- **♦** 151 substances notified
- ◆ 3A has currently 68 substances; 3B has 79
- ◆ 2076/2002 withdrew 225 substances in November 2003 2004/129 withdrew 14 substances in January 2004
- **♦** Essential uses
- ◆ Complete dossiers in November 2003 and 2004 and decisions during 2004-2008
- 5 decisions on non-inclusion voted in June 2004



- → micro-organisms
- → substances authorized in human foodstuffs or animal feeding stuffs
- → plant extracts
- → animal products
- → attractants / repellants / traps or dispensers
- → rodenticides
- → substances used on stored plants or stored plant products
- → specified commodity chemicals



Regulation 1112/2002

- → Notification procedure for 193 substances
- → Decision on 87 for non-inclusion in March 2004
- → 297 active substances in stage 4

 (Notification + Accession)





- → groups of substances
- → cooperation RMS
- → lead RMS
- → involvement new Member States
- **→** deadlines
- → two approaches for data requirements



- **→** Data requirements for plant extracts and certain chemical substances
- → Guidance on format of dossiers





Annex I: 1021 existing actives in 4 phases

	N° a.i.s	In	Out	Pending	Deadline
1	90	39	27	24	2005
2	148	-	96	52	2005
3	399	-	252	147	2008
4	384	-	87	297	2008



New active substances





New active substances

Situation

- ⇒ 100 Chemical substances
- ⇒ 10 microorganisms in the system.
- ⇒ 48 dossiers under review (23 COM/ 25 EFSA)
- ⇒ 52 inclusion
- ⇒ 8 non-inclusion





Amending Directive 91/414





91/414 Amendment

- Stakeholder workshop July 2002 and January 2004
- Drafting in progress
- Political issues under discussion
- Comments stakeholders until 31.3.2004
- Interservice consultation
- New stakeholder consultation
- Possible adoption in 2005



91/414 Amendment

Political issues

- centralized decision making/zonal evaluation
- ♦ data protection balance research/generics





Amending 91/414/EEC...

- Centralisation
- Borderlines
- Fees
- Parallel import
- Low-risk actives
- Comparative assess
- Data protection
- Data access
- Operator safety

- GMOs,
- Mutual recognition
- Scope
- Monitoring
- Controls
- Substitution
- Minor uses
- Criteria
- EFSA



Status of Alternatives





Plant Protection Products

Definition:

> active substances and preparations containing one or more active substances, put up in the form in which they are supplied to the user, intended to:



Plant Protection Products

- Protect plants or plant products against all harmful organisms
- Prevent the action of such organisms
- Influence the life processes of plants, other than as a nutrient
- Preserve plant products, in so far as such substances or products are not subject to special Council of Commission provisions on preservatives
- Destroy parts of plants, check or prevent undesired growth of plants



Substances

Definition:

chemical elements and their compounds, as they occur naturally or by manufacture, including any impurity inevitable resulting from the manufacturing process



Active Substances

Definition:

Substances or micro-organisms including viruses, having general or specific action:

- -against harmful organisms or
- -on plants, parts of plants or plant products







Treatments for soil that are not considered as PPP

- > steam or hot air treatments
- > solarisation
- > grafted plants, use of resistant rootstock
- > crop rotation
- > cultural practices
- > substrates, soil-less cultivation



Treatments for commodities that are not considered as PPP

- heat treatments
- cold / freezing treatments
- aeration of grain
- re hermetic storage
- ressure or vacuum treatments
- reduced levels of oxygen or increased levels of carbon dioxide



Alternatives for methyl bromide

- © 1,3-D
- Metam
- © Sulfuryl fluoride
- © Chloropicrin
- © Cadusafos
- Oxamyl
- © Carbofuran

- © Etridiazole
- © Sodium tetrathiocarbonate
- Phenamiphos
- Malathion
- © Pirimiphos- methyl
- **Obligation** Deltamethrine
- © Propamocarbe



1,3-D





Metam (Sodium or potassium)





Sulfuryl fluoride

Stage

Rapporteur Member State

Receipt of dossier

Completeness check

DAR

Possible decision

New A.S.

United Kingdom

29.7.02

Complete 6.5.2003

(2004)

2006



chloropicrin

3A Stage Rapporteur Member State **United Kingdom** 30.11.2003 Receipt of dossier **Complete 18.5.2004** Completeness check DAR (2005)Possible decision 2008



Sodium tetrathiocarbonate

Stage

Rapporteur Member State

Receipt of dossier

Completeness check

Possible decision

3B

Spain

(30.11.2004)



Cadusafos

Stage 2nd

Rapporteur Member State

Greece

Receipt of dossier 30.4.2002

Completeness check Complete 30.04.2003

DAR 1.6.2004

Possible decision 2005



Oxamyl

Stage 2nd

Rapporteur Member Ireland

Receipt of dossier 30.4.2002

Completeness check Complete 11.10.2002

DAR 25.8.2003

Possible decision 2005



Carbofuran

Stage

Rapporteur Member State

Receipt of dossier

Completeness check

DAR

Possible decision

2nd

Belgium

30.4.2002

Complete 30.04.2003



2005



Phenamiphos

Stage

Rapporteur Member State

Receipt of dossier

Completeness check

DAR

Possible decision

2nd

Netherland

(30.4.2002)

Complete 11.9.2002

27.11.2003

2005



Malathion

Stage 2nd

Rapporteur Member

State

Finland

Receipt of dossier 30.4.2002

Completeness check

Complete 28.10.2002

DAR

2.2.2004

2005

Possible decision



Pirimiphos- methyl

Stage 2nd

Rapporteur Member United Kingdom

Receipt of dossier 30.4.2002

Completeness check Complete 25.10.2002

DAR 4.11.2003

Possible decision 2005



Deltamethrine





Propamocarbe

2nd Stage Rapporteur Member Ireland State 30.4.2002 Receipt of dossier Completeness check **Complete 1.4.2003** DAR Possible decision 2005



Etridiazole

2008

Stage 3**B** Rapporteur Member Netherland State (30.11.2004)Receipt of dossier Completeness check DAR

Possible decision



Documents on Internet

http://europa.eu.int/comm/food/plant/protection/index_en.htm

For substances status: doc. 3010

For general status: "State of the Works" (rev. 66)

For background: Report to Council and Parliament

