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## **Report Highlights:**

The European Union follows a complex, rolling system of review for use of active ingredients and Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) in food. For agricultural inputs, U.S. farmers must know early in the process to be able to provide input on their priorities and prevent or mitigate the loss of access to safe chemicals. The information in this document provides interested stakeholders with advance notice of active ingredients under review and highlights which substances may have restricted or non-renewal of approval. This is a quarterly update dated December 2019, including a link to the consolidated version as well.

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## **General Information:**

Plant protection products (PPPs) along with MRLs and import tolerances are an increasingly important issue in the EU since there is a significant reduction in the number of active substances approved for use. Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 and Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 regulate PPPs and MRLs, respectively. The European Union follows a complex, rolling system of review for use of active ingredients and Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) in food. For agricultural inputs, U.S. farmers must know early in the process to be able to provide input on their priorities and prevent or mitigate the loss of access to safe chemicals.

The information presented in this document provides interested stakeholders with advance notice of active ingredients under review for renewal of approval in the EU and highlights which substances may have restricted or non-renewal of approval. This is a quarterly update (November – December 2019). The arrows to the left of each section explain where a substance is in the EU review process as of November 30, 2019.

Please also find attached the **Consolidated** version of the **EU Early Alert – Pesticide Review**, which incorporates information made available in past publications with the updates of the latest version as explained above. In addition, these documents can also be consulted at: https://www.usda-eu.org/eu-early-alert/

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Disclaimer: Please note that while every effort is made to capture all upcoming and completed reviews, this list may not be all-inclusive.

## Attachments:

Consolidated EU Early Alert - Pesticide Review - November 2019.pdf

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