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Report Highlights:

On December 12, 2019, Japan’s Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) announced revisions to Japan’s Maximum Residue Levels for 7 agricultural chemicals (Ametoctradin, Picarbutrazox, Pyridalyl, Pyroxasulfon, Prothioconazole, Metyltetraprole, and Penthiopyrad), and a veterinary drug (Xylazine). MHLW also reviewed and confirmed zero tolerance for veterinary drug Diethylstilboestrole in food (designated as “Not to be detected”). The embassy comment period for these proposals is open until December 26, 2019. MHLW will then notify these revisions to the WTO, which will provide another opportunity for interested parties to comment. Interested U.S. parties are encouraged to send their comments to the U.S. contact point (PlantDivision@usda.gov) by December 23, 2019.

The attached document contains information distributed by the Ministry of Health, Labour, and Welfare (MHLW) of Japan at the 229th Food Safety Group.

Attachments:

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