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Report Highlights:

On July 3, 2020, Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) announced revisions to Japan's maximum residue levels for Imazapyr, Tolpyralate and Oxolinic acid for various agricultural commodities. Interested U.S. parties are encouraged to submit their comments to PlantDivision@usda.gov by July 14, 2020. Japan will subsequently notify these MRL revisions to the World Trade Organization, which will provide another opportunity to comment.

General

On July 3, 2020, Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) proposed changes to the maximum residue levels (MRLs) of three agricultural chemicals used as pesticides (Imazapyr, Tolpyralate Oxolinic acid) and veterinary drug (Oxolinic acid) at the 233rd Food Safety Group (FSG) meeting. Please see the attached document, distributed by MHLW, for details of the proposed MRLs. Due to COVID-19-related concerns, in lieu of an in-person FSG meeting, MHLW shared the attached document electronically with embassies based in Tokyo.

Attachments:

FSG233 (English).pdf