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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 September 2003 on genetically modified food and feed¹, and in particular Article 7(3) and Article 19(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 16 December 2011, Syngenta Crop Protection AG submitted, through its affiliated company Syngenta Crop Protection NV/SA, an application to the national competent authority of Germany for the placing on the market of foods, food ingredients and feed containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21 ('the application'), in accordance with Articles 5 and 17 of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003. The application also covered the placing on the market of products containing or consisting of genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21 for uses other than food and feed, with the exception of cultivation.
- (2) In addition, the application covered the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from 56 sub-combinations of the single transformation events constituting maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21. 22 of those sub-combinations were already authorized as follows: Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × GA21, Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604, Bt11 × MIR162 × GA21, Bt11 × MIR604 × GA21, MIR162 × MIR604 × GA21, Bt11 × MIR162, Bt11 × MIR604, Bt11 × GA21, MIR162 × MIR604, MIR162 × GA21 and MIR604 × GA21, authorised by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1685²; Bt11 × MIR604 × 1507 × GA21, Bt11 × MIR604 × 1507, Bt11 × 1507 × GA21, MIR604 × 1507 × GA21, Bt11 × 1507, MIR604 × 1507 and 1507 × GA21, authorised by Commission Implementing

¹ OJ L 268, 18.10.2003, p. 1.

² Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/1685 of 16 September 2016 authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × GA21, and genetically modified maize combining two or three of the events Bt11, MIR162, MIR604 and GA21, and repealing Decisions 2010/426/EU, 2011/892/EU, 2011/893/EU and 2011/894/EU (OJ L 254, 20.9.2016, p. 22).

Decision (EU) 2017/1209³; and Bt11 × MIR162 × 1507 × GA21, Bt11 × MIR162 × 1507, MIR162 × 1507 × GA21 and MIR162 × 1507, authorised by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1305⁴.

- (3) This Decision covers the remaining 34 sub-combinations: six sub-combinations of five events (Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307, Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × GA21, Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 5307 × GA21, Bt11 × MIR162 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21, Bt11 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21 and MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21); 12 sub-combinations of four events (Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507, Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 5307, Bt11 × MIR162 × 1507 × 5307, Bt11 × MIR162 × 5307 × GA21, Bt11 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307, Bt11 × MIR604 × 5307 × GA21, Bt11 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21, MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307, MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × GA21, MIR162 × MIR604 × 5307 × GA21, MIR162 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21 and MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21); 11 sub-combinations of three events (Bt11 × MIR162 × 5307, Bt11 × MIR604 × 5307, Bt11 × 1507 × 5307, Bt11 × 5307 × GA21, MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507, MIR162 × MIR604 × 5307, MIR162 × 1507 × 5307, MIR162 × 5307 × GA21, MIR604 × 1507 × 5307, MIR604 × 5307 × GA21 and 1507 × 5307 × GA21); and five sub-combinations of two events (Bt11 × 5307, MIR162 × 5307, MIR604 × 5307, 1507 × 5307 and 5307 × GA21).
- (4) In accordance with Article 5(5) and Article 17(5) of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003, the application included information and conclusions about the risk assessment carried out in accordance with the principles set out in Annex II to Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council⁵. It also included the information required pursuant to Annexes III and IV to that Directive and a monitoring plan for environmental effects in accordance with Annex VII to that Directive.
- (5) On 5 April 2019, the European Food Safety Authority ('the Authority') issued a favourable opinion in accordance with Articles 6 and 18 of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003⁶. The Authority concluded that genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21 and its sub-combinations, as described in the application, are as safe as its non-genetically modified comparator and the tested non-genetically modified reference varieties with respect to the potential effects on human and animal health and the environment.

³ Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/1209 of 4 July 2017 authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11 × 59122 × MIR604 × 1507 × GA21, and genetically modified maize combining two, three or four of the events Bt11, 59122, MIR604, 1507 and GA21 pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European parliament and of the Council on genetically modified food and feed (OJ L 173, 6.7.2017, p. 28).

⁴ Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1305 of 26 July 2019 authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × 1507 × GA21 and sub-combinations Bt11 × MIR162 × 1507, MIR162 × 1507 × GA21 and MIR162 × 1507 pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 204, 2.8.2019, p. 69).

⁵ Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 March 2001 on the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms and repealing Council Directive 90/220/EEC (OJ L 106, 17.4.2001, p. 1).

⁶ EFSA GMO Panel (EFSA Panel on Genetically Modified Organisms), Scientific Opinion on assessment of genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21 and subcombinations, for food and feed uses, under Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 (application EFSA-GMO-DE-2011-103). EFSA Journal 2019;17(4):5635.

- (6) In its opinion, the Authority considered all the questions and concerns raised by the Member States in the context of the consultation of the national competent authorities as provided for in Articles 6(4) and 18(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003.
- (7) The Authority also concluded that the monitoring plan for environmental effects submitted by the applicant, consisting of a general surveillance plan, is in line with the intended uses of the products.
- (8) Taking into account those conclusions, the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21, and of the 34 sub-combinations indicated in recital (3) and listed in the application, should be authorised for the uses listed in the application.
- (9) A unique identifier should be assigned to each genetically modified organism covered by this Decision, in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 65/2004⁷.
- (10) On the basis of the opinion of the Authority, no specific labelling requirements, other than those provided for in Article 13(1) and Article 25(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 and in Article 4(6) of Regulation (EC) No 1830/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁸, appear to be necessary for the products covered by this Decision. However, in order to ensure that the use of those products remains within the limits of the authorisation granted by this Decision, the labelling of the products covered by it, with the exception of food products, should contain a clear indication that they are not intended for cultivation.
- (11) The authorisation holder should submit annual reports on the implementation and on the results of the activities set out in the monitoring plan for environment effects. Those results should be presented in accordance with the requirements laid down in Commission Decision 2009/770/EC⁹.
- (12) The opinion of the Authority does not justify the imposition of specific conditions or restrictions for the placing on the market, for the use and handling, including post-market monitoring requirements regarding the consumption of the food and feed, or for the protection of particular ecosystems/environment or geographical areas, as provided for in Article 6(5)(e) and Article 18(5)(e) of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003.
- (13) All relevant information on the authorisation of the products should be entered in the Community register of genetically modified food and feed referred to in Article 28(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003.
- (14) This Decision is to be notified through the Biosafety Clearing-House to the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity,

⁷ Commission Regulation (EC) No 65/2004 of 14 January 2004 establishing a system for the development and assignment of unique identifiers for genetically modified organisms (OJ L 10, 16.1.2004, p. 5).

⁸ Regulation (EC) No 1830/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 September 2003 concerning the traceability and labelling of genetically modified organisms and the traceability of food and feed products produced from genetically modified organisms and amending Directive 2001/18/EC (OJ L 268, 18.10.2003, p. 24).

⁹ Commission Decision 2009/770/EC of 13 October 2009 establishing standard reporting formats for presenting the monitoring results of the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms, as or in products, for the purpose of placing on the market, pursuant to Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 275, 21.10.2009, p. 9).

pursuant to Article 9(1) and Article 15(2)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 1946/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁰.

- (15) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Genetically modified organisms and unique identifiers

Genetically modified maize (*Zea mays* L.), as specified in point (b) of the Annex to this Decision, are assigned the following unique identifiers, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 65/2004:

- (a) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11-1 × SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21;
- (b) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11 × SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307;
- (c) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11 × SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × GA21;
- (d) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11 × SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 5307 × GA21;
- (e) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11 × SYN-IR162-4 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21;
- (f) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21;
- (g) the unique identifier SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21;
- (h) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11-1 × SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507;
- (i) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11-1 × SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × MIR604 × 5307;
- (j) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11 × SYN-IR162-4 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × 1507 × 5307;
- (k) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11 × SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × 5307 × GA21;

¹⁰ Regulation (EC) No 1946/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2003 on transboundary movements of genetically modified organisms (OJ L 287, 5.11.2003, p. 1).

- (l) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307;
- (m) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR604 × 5307 × GA21;
- (n) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21;
- (o) the unique identifier SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × 5307;
- (p) the unique identifier SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507 × GA21;
- (q) the unique identifier SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize MIR162 × MIR604 × 5307 × GA21;
- (r) the unique identifier SYN-IR162-4 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize MIR162 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21;
- (s) the unique identifier SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize MIR604 × 1507 × 5307 × GA21;
- (t) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11-1 × SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR162 × 5307;
- (u) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11-1 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × MIR604 × 5307;
- (v) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11-1 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × 1507 × 5307;
- (w) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × 5307 × GA21;
- (x) the unique identifier SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize MIR162 × MIR604 × 1507;
- (y) the unique identifier SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize MIR162 × MIR604 × 5307;
- (z) the unique identifier SYN-IR162-4 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize MIR162 × 1507 × 5307;
- (aa) the unique identifier SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize MIR162 × 5307 × GA21;
- (bb) the unique identifier SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize MIR604 × 1507 × 5307;
- (cc) the unique identifier SYN-IR6Ø4-5 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize MIR604 × 5307 × GA21;
- (dd) the unique identifier DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize 1507 × 5307 × GA21;
- (ee) the unique identifier SYN-BTØ11-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize Bt11 × 5307;
- (ff) the unique identifier SYN-IR162-4 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize MIR162 × 5307;

- (gg) the unique identifier SYN-IR604-5 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize MIR604 × 5307;
- (hh) the unique identifier DAS-Ø15Ø7-1 × SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 for genetically modified maize 1507 × 5307;
- (ii) the unique identifier SYN-Ø53Ø7-1 × MON-ØØØ21-9 for genetically modified maize 5307 × GA21.

Article 2

Authorisation

The following products are authorised for the purposes of Article 4(2) and Article 16(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 in accordance with the conditions set out in this Decision:

- (a) foods and food ingredients containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize as referred to in Article 1;
- (b) feed containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize as referred to in Article 1;
- (c) products containing or consisting of genetically modified maize as referred to in Article 1 for uses other than those provided for in points (a) and (b), with the exception of cultivation.

Article 3

Labelling

1. For the purposes of the labelling requirements laid down in Article 13(1) and Article 25(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 and in Article 4(6) of Regulation (EC) No 1830/2003, the ‘name of the organism’ shall be ‘maize’.
2. The words ‘not for cultivation’ shall appear on the label of and in the documents accompanying products containing or consisting of genetically modified maize as referred to in Article 1, with the exception of products referred to in point (a) of Article 2.

Article 4

Method for detection

The method set out in point (d) of the Annex shall apply for the detection of genetically modified maize as referred to in Article 1.

Article 5

Monitoring for environmental effects

1. The authorisation holder shall ensure that the monitoring plan for environmental effects, as set out in point (h) of the Annex, is put in place and implemented.
2. The authorisation holder shall submit to the Commission annual reports on the implementation and the results of the activities set out in the monitoring plan in accordance with Decision 2009/770/EC.

Article 6
Community register

The information set out in the Annex shall be entered in the Community register of genetically modified food and feed, as referred to in Article 28(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003.

Article 7
Authorisation holder

The authorisation holder shall be Syngenta Crop Protection AG, Switzerland, represented in the Union by Syngenta Crop Protection NV/SA, Belgium.

Article 8
Validity

This Decision shall apply for a period of 10 years from the date of its notification.

Article 9
Addressee

This Decision is addressed to Syngenta Crop Protection NV/SA, Avenue Louise, 489, 1050 Brussels, Belgium.

Done at Brussels,

For the Commission
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