

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1316/2014 of 11 December 2014 approving the active substance *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* subsp. *plantarum* strain D747, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market, and amending the Annex to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011 and allowing Member States to extend provisional authorisations granted for that active substance (Text with EEA relevance)

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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 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 13(2) and Article 78(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 80(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009, Council Directive 91/414/EEC⁽²⁾ is to apply, with respect to the procedure and the conditions for approval, to active substances for which a decision has been adopted in accordance with Article 6(3) of that Directive before 14 June 2011. For *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* subsp. *plantarum* strain D747 the conditions of Article 80(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 are fulfilled by Commission Implementing Decision 2011/253/EU⁽³⁾.
- (2) In accordance with Article 6(2) of Directive 91/414/EEC Germany received on 21 October 2010 an application from Mitsui AgriScience International SA/NV, for the inclusion of the active substance *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* subsp. *plantarum* strain D747 in Annex I to Directive 91/414/EEC. Implementing Decision 2011/253/EU confirmed that the dossier was ‘complete’ in the sense that it could be considered as satisfying, in principle, the data and information requirements of Annexes II and III to Directive 91/414/EEC.
- (3) For that active substance, the effects on human and animal health and the environment have been assessed, in accordance with the provisions of Article 6(2) and (4)

of Directive 91/414/EEC, for the uses proposed by the applicant. The designated rapporteur Member State submitted a draft assessment report on 14 January 2013.

- (4) The draft assessment report was reviewed by the Member States and the European Food Safety Authority (hereinafter ‘the Authority’). The Authority presented to the Commission its conclusion⁽⁴⁾ on the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* subsp. *plantarum* strain D747 on 27 March 2014. The draft assessment report and the conclusion of the Authority were reviewed by the Member States and the Commission within the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed and finalised on 10 October 2014 in the format of the Commission review report for *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* subsp. *plantarum* strain D747.
- (5) It has appeared from the various examinations made that plant protection products containing *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* subsp. *plantarum* strain D747 may be expected to satisfy, in general, the requirements laid down in Article 5(1)(a) and (b) and Article 5(3) of Directive 91/414/EEC, in particular with regard to the uses which were examined and detailed in the Commission review report. It is therefore appropriate to approve *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* subsp. *plantarum* strain D747.
- (6) A reasonable period should be allowed to elapse before approval in order to permit Member States and the interested parties to prepare themselves to meet the new requirements resulting from the approval.
- (7) Without prejudice to the obligations provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 as a consequence of approval, taking into account the specific situation created by the transition from Directive 91/414/EEC to Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009, the following should, however, apply. Member States should be allowed a period of six months after approval to review authorisations of plant protection products containing *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* subsp. *plantarum* strain D747. Member States should, as appropriate, vary, replace or withdraw authorisations. By way of derogation from that deadline, a longer period should be provided for the submission and assessment of the complete Annex III dossier, as set out in Directive 91/414/EEC, of each plant protection product for each intended use in accordance with the uniform principles.
- (8) The experience gained from inclusions in Annex I to Directive 91/414/EEC of active substances assessed in the framework of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3600/92⁽⁵⁾ has shown that difficulties can arise in interpreting the duties of holders of existing authorisations in relation to access to data. In order to avoid further difficulties, it therefore appears necessary to clarify the duties of the Member States, especially the duty to verify that the holder of an authorisation demonstrates access to a dossier satisfying the requirements of Annex II to that Directive. However, this clarification does not impose any new obligations on Member States or holders of authorisations compared to the Directives which have been adopted until now amending Annex I to that Directive or the Regulations approving active substances.
- (9) In accordance with Article 13(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009, the Annex to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011⁽⁶⁾ should be amended accordingly.

- (10) It is also appropriate to allow Member States to extend provisional authorisations granted for plant protection products containing *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* subsp. *plantarum* strain D747 in order to provide them with the time necessary to fulfil the obligations set out in this Regulation as regards those provisional authorisations.
- (11) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

- (1) [OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 1.](#)
- (2) Council Directive 91/414/EEC of 15 July 1991 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market ([OJ L 230, 19.8.1991, p. 1.](#))
- (3) Commission Implementing Decision 2011/253/EU of 26 April 2011 recognising in principle the completeness of the dossier submitted for detailed examination in view of the possible inclusion of metobromuron, S-Absciscic acid, *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* subsp. *plantarum* D747, *Bacillus pumilus* QST 2808 and *Streptomyces lydicus* WYEC 108 in Annex I to Council Directive 91/414/EEC ([OJ L 106, 27.4.2011, p. 13.](#))
- (4) EFSA Journal (2014);12(4):3624. Available online: www.efsa.europa.eu.
- (5) Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3600/92 of 11 December 1992 laying down the detailed rules for the implementation of the first stage of the programme of work referred to in Article 8(2) of Council Directive 91/414/EEC concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market ([OJ L 366, 15.12.1992, p. 10.](#))
- (6) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011 of 25 May 2011 implementing Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the list of approved active substances ([OJ L 153, 11.6.2011, p. 1.](#))