



JOINT RELEASE FOR ONTARIO GRAIN STAKEHOLDERS NO TRADE CONCERNS WITH NEW CORN AND SOYBEAN PROTECTION PRODUCTS AVAILABLE IN 2023

Guelph, ON – January 23, 2023 – Following a rigorous review of export market requirements and residue potential when used according to the label, the joint Market Access Committee for corn and soybeans has concluded that the risk of any crop protection product residue related trade disruption is acceptable for five new corn products and three new soybean products available in 2023. With 70% of Ontario soybeans exported along with a significant amount of corn, maintaining market access, and preventing risk is important to get the most value for Ontario grown corn and soybeans.

The Market Access Committee for corn and soybeans was established by Grain Farmers of Ontario and Soy Canada to prevent market access issues by meeting requirements for pesticide residues and to facilitate predictable commercialization of crop protection products. This forum allows for the value chain which includes the crop protection registrants, producer organizations, ag-retailers, grain originators, processors, and exporters to evaluate the residue profile of new pesticides and discuss potential trade implications prior to market launch. The Ontario Agri Business Association is a member of the Committee and a partner in bringing together the Ontario grain value chain to achieve the Committee's goals.

The approach used by the Committee follows the "Market Acceptance of Pesticide Use Policy" developed by the grain value chain under the auspices of the Canada Grains Council and adopted by other commodity associations in Canada. More information on this policy and evaluation framework is available [here](#). In brief, the Maximum Residues Limits (MRLs) of crop protection products are evaluated by the Committee against requirements in key export markets – a MRL is the maximum amount of a crop protection product permitted in grain and is determined by the importing country. Product use information such as application rates, timing of application, and relevant residue data are considered as part of the assessment, along with risk management strategies as necessary.

For corn, five products slated for market launch in 2023 were assessed. The active ingredient for each product and the resulting Pest Control Product (PCP) number(s) assigned by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) are provided in Table 1.

Table 1: Products registered for use on corn evaluated by the Market Assessment Committee

Active Ingredient(s)	Product name	PCP No.	Registrant
Fluoxastrobin + Tetraconazole	Zolera FX	33367	UPL
Mefentrifluconazole + Pyraclostrobin + Metconazole	Veltyma DLX	34166 29767	BASF

Inpyrfluxam + Ethaboxam + Metalaxyl	V-10504 FS Lumiscend Pro	34421	Valent Corteva
Tiafenacil	Insight	34234	ISK
Trifludimoxazin + Saflufenacil + Pyroxasulfone	Voraxor Complete	33968 32542	BASF

Based on the MRL profile of the active ingredients reviewed, the Committee concluded that the risk of any MRL-related trade disruption was acceptable. No advisories to limit the use of these products were deemed to be necessary at this time.

For soybeans, three products for 2023 were assessed (Table 2).

Table 2: Products registered for use on soybeans evaluated by the Market Assessment Committee

Active Ingredient(s)	Product name	PCP No.	Registrant
Pyroxasulfone & Saflufenacil, Trifludimoxazin	Voraxor Complete	33968 32542	BASF
Tiafenacil	Insight	34234	ISK Bioscience
Inpyrfluxam	Zeltera	34331	Valent

Based on the MRL profile and ancillary information of the active ingredients reviewed, the Committee concluded that the risk of any MRL-related trade disruption was acceptable. No advisories to limit the use of these products were deemed to be necessary at this time.

This assessment marked the second formal evaluation of the Joint Market Assessment Committee for Corn and Soybeans. Future assessments will be conducted following this process (or amended, as needed) on an annual basis, or as required.

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