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Proposal for a regulation Title

Text proposed by the Commission

Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on plants obtained by certain *new genomic* techniques and their food and feed, and amending Regulation (EU) 2017/625 (Text with EEA relevance)

Amendment

Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on plants obtained by certain *precision breeding* techniques and their food and feed, and amending Regulation (EU) 2017/625 *and Directive* 98/44/EC (Text with EEA relevance)

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 18

Text proposed by the Commission

Since the criteria for considering that a NGT plant is equivalent to naturally occurring or conventionally bred plants are unrelated to the type of activity that requires the deliberate release of the NGT plant, a declaration of the category 1 NGT plant status made prior to its deliberate release for any other purpose than placing on the market in the territory of the Union should also be valid for the placing on the market of related NGT products. In view of the high uncertainty existing at the field trial stage about the product reaching the market and the likely involvement of smaller operators in such releases, the verification procedure of category 1 NGT plant status prior to field trials should be conducted by national competent authorities as this would be less administratively burdensome for operators. and a decision should be taken at Union level only in case there are comments to the verification report by other national competent authorities. Where the verification request is submitted prior to the placing on the market of NGT *products, the* procedure should be conducted at *Union* level in order to ensure effectiveness of the verification procedure and consistency of the category 1 NGT plant status declarations.

Amendment

Since the criteria for considering (18)that a NGT plant is equivalent to naturally occurring or conventionally bred plants are unrelated to the type of activity that requires the deliberate release of the NGT plant, a declaration of the category 1 NGT plant status made prior to its deliberate release for any other purpose than placing on the market in the territory of the Union should also be valid for the placing on the market of related NGT products. In view of the high uncertainty existing at the field trial stage about the product reaching the market and the likely involvement of smaller operators in such releases, the verification procedure of category 1 NGT plant status prior to field trials and prior to the placing on the market of NGT *products* should be conducted by national competent authorities as this would be less administratively burdensome for operators. The verification procedure of category 1 NGT plant status should be conducted at national level based on the scientific opinion of the European Food Safety Authority ('the Authority') only if there are reasoned scientific objections by other Member States in order to ensure effectiveness of the verification procedure and consistency of the category 1 NGT plant status declarations.

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 29 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(29a) After the successful authorisation of a category 1 NGT plant based on scientific criteria, the authorisation should be valid for an unlimited period.

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 30

Text proposed by the Commission

(30) For reasons of proportionality, after a first renewal of the authorisation, the authorisation should be valid for an unlimited period, unless decided differently at the time of that renewal based on the risk assessment and the available information on the NGT plant concerned, subject to reassessment when new information has become available.

Amendment

(30) For reasons of proportionality, after a first renewal of the authorisation of a category 2 NGT plant, the authorisation should be valid for an unlimited period, unless decided differently at the time of that renewal based on the risk assessment and the available information on the category 2 NGT plant concerned, subject to reassessment when new information has become available.

Amendment 296

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Proposal for a regulation Recital 46 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(46a) Member States should organise factual public information campaigns regarding the safety and the benefits of plants obtained through new genomic techniques, with a particular emphasis on category 1 NGT plants. Member States should aim to dispel myths and misconceptions about new genomic techniques as well as to counteract disinformation and misinformation on this subject via these public information campaigns or by other means. The Commission should provide assistance and guidelines to Member States in this respect, upon request.

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Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) 'NGT plant' means a *genetically modified* plant obtained by targeted mutagenesis or cisgenesis, or a combination thereof, on the condition that it does not contain any genetic material originating from outside the *breeders*' gene pool that temporarily may have been inserted during the development of the NGT plant;

Amendment

(2) 'NGT plant' means a plant as defined in Article 2, point (1), of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 (1a) obtained by targeted mutagenesis or cisgenesis, or a combination thereof, on the condition that it does not contain any genetic material originating from outside the gene pool for breeding purposes that temporarily may have been inserted during the development of the NGT plant;

^{1a} Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 October 2016 on protective measures against pests of plants.

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Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point 7 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) is progeny of the NGT plant(s) referred to in point (a), including progeny derived by crossing of such plants, on the condition that there are no further modifications that would make it subject to Directive 2001/18/EC or Regulation 1829/2003;

Amendment

(b) is progeny of the NGT plant(s) referred to in point (a), including progeny derived by crossing of such plants, or progeny that has undergone further modifications and fulfils the criteria of equivalence to conventional plants, set out in Annex I:

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Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point 7 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) for which it is not feasible to provide an analytical method that detects, identifies and quantifies;