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SPECIFIC ISSUES OF INTEREST TO THE CCB:

UK Notifies Changes to Great Britain Quarantine Pests

- On May 30, the UK [notified the WTO](#) of [proposed additions](#) to the Great Britain quarantine pest list and other changes.
- A draft text of the legislation is to be published on November 3, 2022, with adoption and entry into force on November 25.
- Comments can be sent to the U.S. SPS Inquiry Point at us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov before July 29, 2022.

FRUIT LOGISITICA Announces 2023 Dates, Opens Registration

- [FRUIT LOGISITICA 2023](#) will be held on February 8-10, 2023 in Berlin. [Registration](#) for exhibitors closes on July 31, 2022.

GENERAL ISSUES OF INTEREST TO THE CCB:

Brazil Launches Consultation on Draft Plant Product Inspection Regulation

- The Brazil Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Supply (MAPA) [announced](#) public consultation on a [draft regulation](#) creating the Brazilian System of Inspection of Products of Plant Origin (SISBI-POV) and repealing [Decree No. 6268 of November 22, 2007](#) and [Decree No. 8446 of May 6, 2015 \(all in Portuguese\)](#).
- The draft regulation establishes rules, processes, and responsibilities for the inspection of products of plant origin. Those products for human consumption must be classified according to Brazil's classification system. Traceability of each product batch must be ensured for a minimum period of two years.
- Actions related to the National Program for Control of Waste and Contaminants in plant products (PNCRC/Vegetal) (*BCI Monitor* 5-17-22) will be exercised by the States, the Federal District, and municipalities within the scope of SISBI-POV.
- Comments can be submitted via the [Regulatory Acts Monitoring System \(Sisman\)](#) until August 22, 2022.

Chinese Recommended Standard on Cold Chain Enters Into Force

- Chinese National Standard [GB/T 28577-2021: Cold chain logistics classification and basic requirements](#) enters into force on June 1, 2022. GB/T standards are recommended but not explicitly mandatory.

EU Invites Comment on Proposal for Food Waste Directive

- On May 24, the European Commission (EC) [launched the public consultation](#) on a proposal for a new food waste reduction directive (*BCI Monitor* 10-26-21).
- Based on the [inception impact assessment](#), the directive will propose legally binding targets to reduce food waste at each stage of the food chain. Defining and implementing measures to reach the targets will be the responsibility of the Member States. Importers are mentioned as part of the target audience.
- Comments can be submitted by filling out an [online questionnaire](#) until August 16, 2022. The EC will publish a draft directive by the end of June 2023 to start the legislative procedure in the European Parliament and Council.

UK Starts Legislative Process for Genetic Technology Act

- On May 25, the United Kingdom introduced the *Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill* into the House of Commons.
- The new bill removes barriers to research into new gene editing techniques, resulting from regulations by the European Union. The bill will permit the development and marketing of precision-bred plants and animals, if authorized by the competent authority.

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