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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 November 2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs[(1)], and in particular Article 52(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) On 5 October 2020, the Commission adopted Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1433[(2)]approving an amendment to the specification of the designation 'Pouligny-Saint-Pierre' (PDO) in accordance with Article 52(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012. The transitional period granted to certain operators by France under Article 15(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 was omitted in error from the aforementioned Regulation (EU) 2020/1433.

(2) By letter of 20 December 2018, the French authorities had in fact notified the Commission that a transitional period under Article 15(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012, ending on 30 June 2025, had been granted to eight operators established on their territory who meet the conditions laid down in that Article pursuant to the Order of 22 November 2018 on amendments to the specification for the protected designation of origin 'Pouligny-Saint-Pierre', published on 8 December 2018 in the Official Journal of the French Republic.

(3) Indeed, during the national opposition procedure, eight objections had been received, all of them concerning the conditions for milk production and, more specifically, the impossibility of complying with the proportion of feed originating in the geographical area as laid down in the specification, which states that 'The feed produced in the geographical area (fodder + supplementary feed) represents at least 75 % of the dry matter of the total annual feed ration of the herd.' Furthermore, these operators have legally marketed 'Pouligny-Saint-Pierre' continuously for at least five years prior to submission of the application, fulfilling the conditions of Article 15(4) of Regulation

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2178. (See end of Document for details)*

(EU) No 1151/2012. Transitional periods ending on 30 June 2025 have therefore been granted to them in this context and must now be approved by the Commission.

(4) The operators involved are: Earl de Vesche (SIRET No 50317689300017); Ferme des Ages (SIRET No 19360598700026); Gaec de Villiers (SIRET No 41293309500017); Jean Barrois (SIRET No 33452601900016); Earl des Grands vents (SIRET No 52325005800014); Earl du Start Chiebe (SIRET No 50979878100019); Gaec de la Custière (SIRET No 31928251300013); Gaec des Chinets (SIRET No 35328804600017).

(5) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1433 should therefore be corrected accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The following Article shall be added to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1433:

Article 1a

The protection provided under Article 1 is subject to the transitional period granted by France under Article 15(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 to operators meeting the conditions laid down in that Article, pursuant to the Order of 22 November 2018 on amendments to the specification for the protected designation of origin ‘Pouligny-St-Pierre’ published on 8 December 2018 in the Official Journal of the French Republic.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 15 December 2020.

For the Commission,

On behalf of the President,

Janusz WOJCIECHOWSKI

Member of the Commission