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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 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 190(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Annex I to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1295/2008⁽²⁾ lists the agencies in third countries that are authorised to issue the attestations accompanying hop products imported from those countries. Those attestations are recognised as equivalent to the certificate provided for in Article 77 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.
- (2) It is the responsibility of the agencies concerned in those third countries to keep the information provided in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1295/2008 up to date and to communicate that information to the Commission in a spirit of close cooperation.
- (3) Following the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union on 1 February 2020 and in view of the end of the transition period provided for in the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community (Withdrawal Agreement) on 31 December 2020, the United Kingdom sent the Commission a request to have its authorities listed as competent authorities of a third country for the purposes of marketing standards in certain sectors. In particular, the United Kingdom has undertaken to comply with the requirements set for the marketing of hops and hop products after the end of the transition period and has authorised an agency to issue attestations of equivalence pursuant to Article 190(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 and Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1295/2008.
- (4) The attestations issued by the agency authorised by the United Kingdom should therefore be recognised as equivalent in respect of hops and that agency should be listed in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1295/2008, without prejudice to the application of Union law to and in the United Kingdom in respect of Northern Ireland in accordance with Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland to the Withdrawal Agreement in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol.

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- (5) As Regulation (EC) No 1295/2008 applies to and in the United Kingdom in respect of Northern Ireland, attestations issued by the authorities of the United Kingdom have to be understood as referring only to Great Britain.
- (6) In addition, Australia sent the Commission a request to amend the name and address of the competent agency authorised to issue attestations of equivalence. For reasons of clarity, it is appropriate to replace Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1295/2008 in its entirety.
- (7) Regulation (EC) No 1295/2008 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (8) To ensure legal certainty and in order to guarantee a smooth transition of trade flows in the sector concerned, this Regulation should enter into force as a matter of urgency on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union* and apply from 1 January 2021.
- (9) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for the Common Organisation of the Agricultural Markets,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Amendment to Regulation (EC) No 1295/2008

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1295/2008 is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

Entry into force and application

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

It shall apply from 1 January 2021.

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

Done at Brussels, 15 December 2020.

For the Commission

The President

Ursula VON DER LEYEN

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ANNEX

ANNEX I

AGENCIES AUTHORISED TO ISSUE ATTESTATIONS IN RESPECT OF:

Hop cones CN code: ex 1210

Hop powders CN code: ex 1210

Saps and extracts of hops CN code: 1302 13 00

Country of origin	Authorised agencies	Address	Code	Telephone	Fax	e-mail (optional)
(AR) Argentina	Coordinación Regional Temática de Protección Vegetal (CRTPV). Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria (SENASA) Centro Regional Patagonia Norte	Calle 9 de Julio 933. General Roca, Provincia de Río Negro, Cod 8334	(54-298)	44 28 594 44 32 190	44 28 594 44 32 190	groca@senasa.gov.ar cpaulovich@senasa.gov.ar jesparza@senasa.gov.ar
	Servicio Nacional de Sanidad y Calidad Agroalimentaria (SENASA)	Av. Pasco Colon 367 Ciudad Aut. de Buenos Aires, C1063ACD	(54-11)	41 21 50 00	41 21 50 00	webmaster@senasa.gov.ar cdei@senasa.gov.ar
(AU) Australia	Biosecurity Tasmania - Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment	13 St John's Avenue, New Town TAS 7008 Hobart TAS 7000, Australia	(61-3)	62 33 33 52	03 6165 3777	Biosecurity.Tasmania@dpipwe.tas.gov.au or Export.Enquiries.Tas@dpipwe.tas.gov.au

a In accordance with the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol, for the purposes of this Annex references to the United Kingdom do not include Northern Ireland.

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(CA) Canada	Plant Protection Division, Animal and Plant Health Directorate, Food Production and Inspection Branch, Agriculture and Agri-food Canada	Floor 2, West Wing 59, Camelot Drive Napean, Ontario, K1A OY9	(1-613)	952 80 00	991 56 12	
(CH) Switzerland	Labor Veritas	Engimattstrasse 11, Postfach 353, CH-8027 Zürich	(01-44)	283 29 30	201 42 49	admin@laborveritas.ch
(CN) China	Tianjin Airport Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Bureau of the People's Republic of China	No 33 Youyi Road, Hexi District Tianjin 300201	(86-22)	28 13 40 78	28 13 40 78	ciqtj2002@163.com
	Tianjin Economic and Technical Development Zone Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Bureau of the People's	No 8, Zhaofaxincun 2nd Avenue, TEDA Tianjin 300457	(86-22)	662 98-343	662 98-245	zhujw@tjciq.gov.cn

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