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Chlorpropham Task Force update following January SCoPAFF meeting

Situation

- The TF understand that a vote was not taken on the Commission's proposal for non-renewal of Chlorpropham at the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed on 24 and 25 January 2019.

Task force position

- The Task Force is pleased that a significant number of Member States continue to not support the Commission's proposal for non-renewal.
- The Task Force remains convinced that existing data clearly demonstrate the safety of Chlorpropham uses for the environment and humans and that renewal of the herbicide should be possible based on science.
- The Task Force remains in discussion with Member States and the European Commission to find a possible solution to safeguard the continued use of Chlorpropham.
- The Task Force is actively working with stakeholders to help keep Chlorpropham on the market in the EU; providing EU growers with continued access to this valuable agricultural tool.
- As there was no vote, there are no updates on potential further timelines for product authorizations. As informed previously, potato-storage season 2018-2019 is expected to run with the currently authorized uses. Winter-applications 2019 of the herbicide are also expected to be applicable. For potato-storage season 2019-2020, no information can be given at this point.
- Please direct further questions to your local representative from UPL, Certis & Aceto.

The Chlorpropham Task Force.