

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2017/243**of 10 February 2017****amending Implementing Regulation (EU) No 686/2012 as regards the co-rapporteur Member State for the active substance metaldehyde****(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 19 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 686/2012 ⁽²⁾ allocates the evaluation of each active substance to a rapporteur Member State and a co-rapporteur Member State. In agreement with the Member States concerned, it is considered necessary to change the co-rapporteur Member State for the active substance metaldehyde while respecting the balance as regards the distribution of the responsibilities and the work between Member States. The co-evaluation for the purposes of the renewal procedures for metaldehyde should be allocated to Austria.
- (2) Implementing Regulation (EU) No 686/2012 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In the Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 686/2012 the entry for the active substance metaldehyde is replaced by the following:

| Active substance | Rapporteur Member State | Co-rapporteur Member State |
|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Metaldehyde | PL | AT |

*Article 2*This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth 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, 10 February 2017.

*For the Commission**The President*

Jean-Claude JUNCKER

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 1.⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 686/2012 of 26 July 2012 allocating to Member States, for the purposes of the renewal procedure, the evaluation of the active substances (OJ L 200, 27.7.2012, p. 5).