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DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

Food and feed safety, innovation
The Director

Brussels,
SANTE E3/ [REDACTED] (2019)8841279

Dear Dr Url,

Subject: Request for a scientific opinion on genetically modified plants developed through new genomic techniques.

Please find herewith the background and terms of reference for a request to EFSA for a scientific opinion on genetically modified plants developed through new genomic techniques (NGTs). The scientific opinion should be an overview on the risk assessment of plants developed through NGTs based on previous EFSA scientific opinions and EFSA ongoing work as well as opinions published by Member States competent authorities and national institutions.

In order to facilitate EFSA's work, the Commission has requested the Member States competent authorities to provide any scientific opinion on risk assessment on NGTs, issued by their national bodies since 2012. The Commission will share this information with EFSA without delay.

My services remain at your disposal for further information. On this matter, you can contact [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who are responsible for this dossier with regard to scientific aspects and [REDACTED] who is the relevant contact point in the unit in charge of Food chain science and stakeholder relations. Their respective phone and e-mail addresses are indicated below.

We would appreciate having the final opinion adopted by end of October 2020.

Yours sincerely,

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