

**A joint notice 1745 of the Ministry of Agriculture (MoA), the Ministry of
Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) and AQSIQ**

To protect people's health and life, ensure paraquat production and application safety. The MOA determine to place restrictive administration measures on the production and use of Paraquat in China after evaluation. Those restrictive measures are listed as follows:

Article 1 From the date of the issue of this notice, new applications for the approval of manufacturing plant to manufacture and formulate Paraquat TK will no longer be accepted. New applications for field efficacy test, registration application and production approval (including production approval and production licenses) of Paraquat TK and SL (including Paraquat mixed SL) shall not be accepted. New Paraquat TK and SL registration and production approval shall not be issued.

Article 2 From July 1, 2014, registration and production license of Paraquat SL shall be cancelled, and the production of Paraquat SL shall be stopped. The production of Paraquat TK shall be maintained to produce the Paraquat SL for export only. From July 1, 2016, no Paraquat SL can be sold or used in China.

Article 3 The label, pesticide registration certificate and pesticide production approval certificate shall be reviewed and updated. The emergency phone number and clearly warning symbol shall be added to the label. The name of the manufacturer of the technical concentrate (TK) shall be added to the pesticide registration and pesticide production approval certificate. The manufacturer of Paraquat shall apply for a new label, update pesticide registration certificate and pesticide production approval certificate in a timely manner from relevant departments. From January 1, 2013, pesticide registrations and pesticide approval certificates

which have not been updated shall not be maintained, and products without updated labels shall not be allowed to be marketed. Any product which has been previously placed on the market can be sold until December 31, 2013.

Article 4 Manufacturers of Paraquat shall produce Paraquat products strictly according to the product standard. Adequate emetic, stink/odour agent and colourant shall be added to ensure product quality.

Article 5 The manufacturer shall enhance the application guidance on Paraquat and after-sale service including poisoning treatment. The use of small-bore bottle and the distribution of necessary medical activated carbon along with such product are encouraged.

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