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The following comment have been received Canada.

CANADA

As mentioned in Canada's previous comments, there is a concern as to how this methodology will be implemented since, as acknowledged in Point #3 of the "**Background**" Section, Maximum Levels (MLs) have already been established using criteria different from those proposed in this draft. In this regard, as part of any future reassessment of existing or proposed MLs, it may be appropriate to consider this methodology to determine whether an ML for a contaminant in a particular commodity is necessary or justified.