COMMISSION DECISION

of 26 March 1993

approving an amendment of the varietal conversion programme for hops submitted by the Federal Republic of Germany pursuant to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2997/87

(Only the German text is authentic)

(93/220/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2997/87 of 22 September 1987 laying down, in respect of hops, the amount of aid to producers for the 1986 harvest and providing for special measures for certain regions of production [1], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3338/92 [2], and in particular Article 2 (5) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3889/87 of 22 December 1987 laying down detailed rules for the application of the special measures for certain regions of hops production [3], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 345/91 [4], and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Whereas the Federal Republic of Germany transmitted to the Commission on 28 March 1988 a varietal conversion programme for the hops sector in accordance with Article 2 (5) of Regulation (EEC) No 2997/87; whereas this programme, as amended on 3 July 1989, was approved in Commission Decision 89/482/EEC [5];

Whereas the Federal Republic of Germany transmitted to the Commission on 22 December 1989 amendments of this programme which were approved, following further amendments adopted on 4 May 1990, in Decision 90/341/EEC [6];

Whereas the Federal Republic of Germany transmitted to the Commission on 8 January 1993 further amendments of this programme;

Whereas the proposed amendments cover, on the one hand, the inclusion of the new Länder in the Elbe-Saale region in the German conversion programme, and, on the other hand, the updating of the plans under the programme approved by the Commission;

Whereas this programme is in line with the objectives pursued by that Regulation and contains the information required under Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 3889/87;

Whereas the programme submitted by the Federal Republic of Germany does not provide for any financial contribution from the national budget; whereas the actual costs referred to in Article 2 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2997/87 may include factors making it possible to assess the net loss of income resulting from the implementation for the conversion plan; whereas, however, only factors relating to the net loss of income suffered from the date of adoption of Regulation (EEC) No 2997/87 may be introduced into the calculation of the actual costs;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Hops,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The amendment of the varietal conversion programme for the hops sector submitted pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No 2997/87 by the Federal Republic of Germany on 8 January 1992 is hereby approved. The main features of that programme as amended are set out in the Annex.

Article 2

The Federal Republic of Germany shall inform the Commission of the progress of the programme every six months.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Done at Brussels, 26 March 1993.

For the Commission

René STEICHEN

Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ No L 284, 7. 10. 1987, p. 19.
[2] OJ No L 336, 20. 11. 1992, p. 3.
[3] OJ No L 365, 24. 12. 1987, p. 41.
[4] OJ No L 41, 14. 2. 1991, p. 18.
[5] OJ No L 235, 12. 8. 1989, p. 33.
[6] OJ No L 162, 28. 6. 1990, p. 46.

ANNEX

1. **List of producer groups covered by the programme**

— Hopfenverwertungsgenossenschaft Spalt e.G.
— Hopfenverwertungsgenossenschaft Hallertau e.G.
— Hopfenverwertungsgenossenschaft Jura e.G.
— Hopfenverwertungsgenossenschaft Elbe-Saale e.G.

2. **Duration of the programme**

From 1 April 1988 to 31 December 1994.

In all cases, the last plantations must be made before 31 December 1994.

3. **Area covered by the programme**

HVG Spalt e.G.	15 ha (1)
HVG Hallertau e.G.	758 ha
HVG Jura e.G.	27 ha
HVG Elbe-Saale e.G.	200 ha
Total	1 000 ha

4. **Varieties to be converted to and the areas involved**

(on hectares)

Aromatic varieties		Super-alpha varieties (*)	
Spalter	2,0	Nugget	173,5
Hersbrucker Spät	160,5	Target	34,5
Hallertauer Tradition	80,5	Hallertauer Magnum	367,0
Spalter Select	161,0		
Perle	21,0		
Total	425,0	Total	575,0

(*) Within the meaning of Article 2 of Regulation (EEC) No 2997/87 and Article 1 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 3889/87.

(1) Already completed in March 1991.