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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 laying down specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin [1] and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on the hygiene of foodstuffs [2] lays down general rules for food business operators on the hygiene of foodstuffs based amongst others on the principles of hazard analysis and critical control points. It provides that food business operators are to comply with certain procedures based on those principles.

(2) Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 lays down specific rules on the hygiene of food of animal origin for food business operators and supplements the rules laid down in Regulation (EC) No 852/2004. The rules laid down in Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 include hygiene requirements for raw milk and dairy products.

(3) Pursuant to point (c) of Section B of Chapter 4 of Annex VI to the Act of Accession of Bulgaria and Romania (the Act of Accession), Bulgaria has been granted a transitional period, expiring on 31 December 2009, for compliance by certain milk processing establishments with those hygiene requirements.

(4) Certain establishments which are authorised to process raw milk which does not comply with the requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 (non-compliant milk) are listed in Chapter I of the Appendix to Annex VI to the Act of Accession. Certain establishments which are authorised to process both compliant and non-compliant milk, provided that such processing is carried out on separate production lines, are listed in Chapter II of that Appendix.

(5) Milk production holdings that do not comply with the hygiene requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 are spread over the whole territory of Bulgaria. The proportion of raw milk that complies with those requirements, delivered to milk processing establishments in Bulgaria, has only increased slightly during the last years.

(6) Taking into account the current situation, it is appropriate to provide for a time-limited derogation from the hygiene requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 with a view to permitting Bulgaria to bring its milk sector in compliance with those requirements.

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[1] OJ L 139, 30.4.2004, p. 55.
[2] OJ L 139, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

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(7) In light of this situation, certain milk processing establishments listed in Annex I to this Decision should be allowed, by way of derogation from Regulation (EC) No 853/2004, to continue to process also after 31 December 2009 compliant and non-compliant milk provided that the processing is carried out on separate production lines. In addition, certain milk processing establishments listed in Annex II to this Decision should be allowed to continue to process non-compliant milk without separate production lines.

(8) The marketing of dairy products derived from non-compliant milk should, however, be restricted to Bulgaria or used for further processing in the milk processing establishments covered by the derogation provided for in this Decision.

(9) The transitional period granted by this Decision should be limited to 24 months from 1 January 2010. The situation in the milk sector in Bulgaria should be reviewed before the end of that period. Bulgaria should therefore submit annual reports to the Commission regarding progress in the upgrading of milk production holdings supplying raw milk to milk processing establishments in that Member State and the system for collecting and transporting non-compliant milk.

(10) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

For the purposes of this Decision 'non-compliant milk' means raw milk which does not comply with the requirements set out in Annex III, Section IX, Chapter I, Subchapters II and III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004.

Article 2

By way of derogation from the requirements set out in Annex III, Section IX, Chapter I, Subchapters II and III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004, the milk processing establishments listed in Annex I to this Decision may continue to process, until 31 December 2011, compliant and non-compliant milk provided that the processing of the compliant and the non-compliant milk is carried out on separate production lines.

Article 3

By way of derogation from the requirements set out in Annex III, Section IX, Chapter I, Subchapters II and III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004, the milk processing establishments listed in Annex II to this Decision may continue to process, until 31 December 2011, non-compliant milk without separate production lines.

Article 4

Dairy products derived from non-compliant milk shall only:

(a) be placed on the domestic market in Bulgaria; or

(b) be used for further processing in the milk processing establishments in Bulgaria referred to in Articles 2 and 3.

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Such dairy products shall bear a health or identification mark which is different from the health or identification mark provided for in Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 853/2004.

Article 5

Bulgaria shall submit annual reports to the Commission on progress made in bringing the following in compliance with Regulation (EC) No 853/2004:

(a) production holdings producing non-compliant milk;

(b) the system for collecting and transporting non-compliant milk;

The first annual report shall be submitted to the Commission by 31 December 2010, at the latest, and the second annual report by 31 October 2011, at the latest.

The form set out in Annex III shall be used for those reports.

Article 6

This Decision shall apply from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2011.

Article 7

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

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ANNEX I

List of milk establishments permitted to process compliant and non-compliant milk as referred to in Article 2

No	Veterinary No	Name of establishment	Town/Street or Village/Region
1	BG 0412010	‘Bi Si Si Handel’ OOD	gr. Elena ul. ‘Treti mart’ 19
2	BG 0512025	‘El Bi Bulgarikum’ EAD	gr. Vidin YUPZ
3	BG 0612027	‘Mlechen ray — 2’ EOOD	gr. Vratsa kv. ‘Bistrets’
4	BG 0612043	ET ‘Zorov- 91 -Dimitar Zorov’	gr. Vratsa Mestnost ‘Parshevitsa’
5	BG 2012020	‘Yotovi’ OOD	gr. Sliven kv. ‘Rechitsa’
6	BG 2512020	‘Mizia-Milk’ OOD	gr. Targovishte Industrialna zona
7	BG 0812009	‘Serdika — 90’ AD	gr. Dobrich ul. ‘25 septemvri’ 100
8	BG 2112001	‘Rodopeya — Belev’ EOOD	gr. Smolyan, ul. ‘Trakya’ 20
9	BG 1212001	‘S i S — 7’ EOOD	gr. Montana ‘Vrachansko shose’ 1
10	BG 2812003	‘Balgarski yogurt’ OOD	s. Veselinovo, obl. Yambolska

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ANNEX II

List of milk processing establishments permitted to process non-compliant milk as referred to in Article 3

No	Veterinary No	Name establishment	Town/Street or Village/Region
1	BG 2412037	‘Stelimeks’ EOOD	s. Asen
2	0912015	‘Anmar’ OOD	s. Padina obsht. Ardino
3	0912016	OOD ‘Persenski’	s. Zhaltusha obsht. Ardino
4	1012014	ET ‘Georgi Gushterov DR’	s. Yahinovo
5	1012018	‘Evro miyt end milk’ EOOD	gr. Kocherinovo obsht. Kocherinovo
6	1112004	‘Matev-Mlekoprodukt’ OOD	s. Goran
7	1112017	ET ‘Rima-Rumen Borisov’	s. Vrabevo
8	1312023	‘Inter-D’ OOD	s. Kozarsko
9	1612049	‘Alpina -Milk’ EOOD	s. Zhelyazno
10	1612064	OOD ‘Ikay’	s. Zhitnitsa obsht. Kaloyanovo
11	2112008	MK ‘Rodopa milk’	s. Smilyan obsht. Smolyan
12	2412039	‘Penchev’ EOOD	gr. Chirpan ul. ‘Septemvriytsi’ 58
13	2512021	‘Keya-Komers-03’ EOOD	s. Svetlen
14	1312002	‘Milk Grup’ EOOD	s. Yunacite
15	0112014	ET ‘Veles-Kostadin Velev’	gr. Razlog ul. ‘Golak’ 14
16	2312041	‘Danim-D.Stoyanov’ EOOD	gr. Elin Pelin m-st Mansarovo
17	2712010	‘Kamadzhiev-milk’ EOOD	s. Kriva reka obsht. N.Kozlevo
18	BG 1212029	SD ‘Voynov i sie’	gr. Montana ul. ‘N. Yo. Vaptsarov’ 8
19	0712001	‘Ben Invest’ OOD	s. Kostenkovtsi obsht. Gabrovo
20	1512012	ET ‘Ahmed Tatarla’	s. Dragash voyvoda, obsht. Nikopol
21	2212027	‘Ekobalkan’ OOD	gr. Sofia bul ‘Evropa’ 138
22	2312030	ET ‘Favorit- D.Grigorov’	s. Aldomirovtsi
23	2312031	ET ‘Belite kamani’	s. Dragotintsi

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No	Veterinary No	Name establishment	Town/Street or Village/Region
24	BG 1512033	ET ‘Voynov-Ventsislav Hristakiev’	s. Milkovitsa obsht. Gulyantsi
25	BG 1612020	ET ‘Bor -Chvor’	s. Dalbok izvor obsht. Parvomay
26	BG 1512029	‘Lavena’ OOD	s. Dolni Dębnik obl. Pleven
27	BG 1612028	ET ‘Slavka Todorova’	s. Trud obsht. Maritsa
28	BG 1612051	ET ‘Radev-Radko Radev’	s. Kurtovo Konare obl. Plovdiv
29	BG 1612066	‘Lakti ko’ OOD	s. Bogdanitza
30	BG 2112029	ET ‘Karamfil Kasakliev’	gr. Dospat
31	BG 0912004	‘Rodopchanka’ OOD	s. Byal izvor obsht. Ardino
32	0112003	ET ‘Vekir’	s. Godlevo
33	0112013	ET ‘Ivan Kondev’	gr. Razlog Stopanski dvor
34	0212037	‘Megakomers’ OOD	s. Lyulyakovo obsht. Ruen
35	0512003	SD ‘LAF-Velizarov i sie’	s. Dabravka obsht. Belogradchik
36	0612035	OOD ‘Nivego’	s. Chiren
37	0612041	ET ‘Ekoprodukt-Megiya-Bogorodka Dobrilova’	gr. Vratsa ul. ‘Ilinden’ 3
38	0612042	ET ‘Mlechen puls — 95 — Tsvetelina Tomova’	gr. Krivodol ul. ‘Vasil Levski’
39	1012008	‘Kentavar’ OOD	s. Konyavo obsht. Kyustendil
40	1212022	‘Milkkomm’ EOOD	gr. Lom ul. ‘Al. Stamboliyski’ 149
41	1212031	‘ADL’ OOD	s. Vladimirovo obsht. Boychinovtsi
42	1512006	‘Mandra’ OOD	s. Obnova obsht. Levski
43	1512008	ET ‘Petar Tonovski-Viola’	gr. Koynare ul. ‘Hr. Botev’ 14
44	1512010	ET ‘Militsa Lazarova-90’	gr. Slavyanovo, ul. ‘Asen Zlatarev’ 2
45	1612024	SD ‘Kostovi — EMK’	gr. Saedinenie ul. ‘L. Karavelov’ 5
46	1612043	ET ‘Dimitar Bikov’	s. Karnare obsht. ‘Sopot’

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No	Veterinary No	Name establishment	Town/Street or Village/Region
47	1712046	ET ‘Stem-Tezdzhan Ali’	gr. Razgrad ul. ‘Knyaz Boris’23
48	2012012	ET ‘Olimp-P. Gurtsov’	gr. Sliven m-t ‘Matsulka’
49	2112003	‘Milk- inzhenering’ OOD	gr. Smolyan ul. ‘Chervena skala’ 21
50	2112027	‘Keri’ OOD	s. Borino, obsht. Borino
51	2312023	‘Mogila’ OOD	gr. Godech, ul. ‘Ruse’ 4
52	2512018	‘Biomak’ EOOD	gr. Omurtag ul. ‘Rodopi’ 2
53	2712013	‘Ekselans’ OOD	s. Osmar, obsht. V. Preslav
54	2812018	ET ‘Bulmilk-Nikolay Nikolov’	s. General Inzovo, obl. Yambolska
55	2812010	ET ‘Mladost-2-Yanko Yanev’	gr. Yambol, ul. ‘Yambolen’ 13
56	BG 1012020	ET ‘Petar Mitov-Universal’	s. Gorna Grashtitsa obsht. Kyustendil
57	BG 1112016	Mandra ‘IPZHZ’	gr. Troyan ul. ‘V. Levski’ 281
58	BG 1712042	ET ‘Madar’	s. Terter
59	BG 2612042	‘Bulmilk’ OOD	s. Konush obl. Haskovska
60	BG 0912011	ET ‘Alada-Mohamed Banashak’	s. Byal izvor obsht. Ardino
61	1112026	‘Ablamilk’ EOOD	gr. Lukovit, ul. ‘Yordan Yovkov’ 13
62	1312005	‘Ravnogor’ OOD	s. Ravnogor
63	1712010	‘Bulagrotreyd-chastna kompaniya’ EOOD	s. Yuper Industrialen kvartal
64	1712013	ET ‘Deniz’	s. Ezerche
65	2012011	ET ‘Ivan Gardev 52’	gr. Kermen ul. ‘Hadzhi Dimitar’ 2
66	2012024	ET ‘Denyo Kalchev 53’	gr. Sliven ul. ‘Samuilovsko shose’ 17
67	2112015	OOD ‘Rozhen Milk’	s. Davidkovo, obsht. Banite
68	2112026	ET ‘Vladimir Karamitev’	s. Varbina obsht. Madan
69	2312007	ET ‘Agropromilk’	gr. Ihtiman, ul. ‘P. Slaveikov’ 19

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No	Veterinary No	Name establishment	Town/Street or Village/Region
70	2412041	‘Mlechen svyat 2003’ OOD	s. Bratya Daskalovi obsht. Bratya Daskalovi
71	2612038	‘Bul Milk’ EOOD	gr. Haskovo Sev. industr. zona
72	2612049	ET ‘Todorovi-53’	gr. Topolovgrad ul. ‘Bulgaria’ 65
73	BG 1812008	‘Vesi’ OOD	s. Novo selo
74	BG 2512003	‘Si Vi Es’ OOD	gr. Omurtag Promishlena zona
75	BG 2612034	ET ‘Eliksir-Petko Petev’	s. Gorski izvor
76	BG 1812003	‘Sirma Prista’ AD	gr. Ruse bul. ‘3-ti mart’ 51
77	BG 2512001	‘Mladost -2002’ OOD	gr. Targovishte bul. ‘29-ti yanuari’ 7
78	0312002	ET ‘Mario’	gr. Suvorovo
79	0712015	‘Rosta’ EOOD	s. M. Varshets
80	0812030	‘FAMA’ AD	gr. Dobrich bul. ‘Dobrudzha’ 2
81	0912003	‘Koveg-mlechni produkti’ OOD	gr. Kardzhali Promishlena zona
82	1412015	ET ‘Boycho Videnov — Elbokada 2000’	s. Stefanovo obsht. Radomir
83	1712017	‘Diva 02’ OOD	gr. Isperih ul. ‘An.Kanchev’
84	1712019	ET ‘Ivaylo-Milena Stancheva’	gr. Isperih Parvi stopanski dvor
85	1712037	ET ‘Ali Isliamov’	s. Yasenovets
86	1712043	‘Maxima milk’ ODD	s. Samuil
87	1812005	‘DAV — Viktor Simonov’ EOOD	gr. Vetovo ul. ‘Han Kubrat’ 52
88	2012010	‘Saray’ OOD	s. Mokren
89	2012032	‘Kiveks’ OOD	s. Kovachite
90	2012036	‘Minchevi’ OOD	s. Korten
91	2212009	‘Serdika -94’ OOD	gr. Sofia kv. Zheleznitza
92	2212023	‘EL BI Bulgarikum’ EAD	gr. Sofia ul. ‘Malashevska’ 12 A
93	2312028	ET ‘Sisi Lyubomir Semkov’	s. Anton
94	2312033	‘Balkan spetsial’ OOD	s. Gorna Malina

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No	Veterinary No	Name establishment	Town/Street or Village/Region
95	2312039	EOOD ‘Laktoni’	s. Ravno pole, obl. Sofiyska
96	2412040	‘Inikom’ OOD	gr. Galabovo ul. ‘G.S.Rakovski’ 11
97	2512011	ET ‘Sevi 2000- Sevie Ibryamova’	s. Krepcha obsht. Opaka
98	2612015	ET ‘Detelina 39’	s. Brod
99	2812002	‘Arachievi’ OOD	s. Kirilovo, obl. Yambolska

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ANNEX III

Report form as referred to in Article 5

Region	Total number of dairy farms 31.12.2009	Number of dairy farms with non-compliant milk 31.12.2009	% of non-compliant dairy farms out of the total 31.12.2009	Total number of dairy farms 30.11.2010	Number of dairy farms with non-compliant milk 30.11.2010	% of non-compliant dairy farms out of the total 30.11.2010	Total number of dairy farms 30.9.2011	Number of dairy farms with non-compliant milk 30.9.2011	% of non-compliant dairy farms out of the total 30.9.2011
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Region	Total number of milk collection points 31.12.2009	Number of non-compliant milk collection points 31.12.2009	% of non-compliant collection points out of the total 31.12.2009	Total number of milk collection points 30.11.2010	Number of non-compliant milk collection points 30.11.2010	% of non-compliant collection points out of the total 30.11.2010	Total number of milk collection points 30.9.2011	Number of non-compliant milk collection points 30.9.2011	% of non-compliant collection points out of the total 30.9.2011
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