COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 69/1999

of 12 January 1999

amending Regulation (EC) No 2486/98 introducing preventive distillation as provided for in Article 38 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 for the 1998/99 wine year

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 822/87 of 16 March 1987 on the common organisation of the market in wine [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1627/98 [2], and in particular Article 38(5) thereof,

Whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2721/88 [3], as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2181/91 [4], lays down detailed rules for voluntary distillation as provided for in Articles 38, 41 and 42 of Regulation (EEC) No 822/87; whereas Commission Regulation (EC) No 1648/98 [5] fixes the prices, the aid and certain other factors applicable to preventive distillation for the 1998/99 wine year;

Whereas Article 1(3) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2486/98 [6] sets the date for the submission of contracts or declarations to the competent authorities at 15 January 1999; whereas that date and the dates resulting therefrom should be postponed to allow greater participation in the measure;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Wine,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 2486/98 is hereby amended as follows:

1. in the first subparagraph of Article 1(3), '15 January 1999' is replaced by '29 January 1999';
2. in the first subparagraph of Article 1(5), '29 January 1999' is replaced by '12 February 1999';
3. in the second subparagraph of Article 1(5), '5 February 1999' is replaced by '19 February 1999';
4. in the first subparagraph of Article 1(6), '28 February 1999' is replaced by '12 March 1999'.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities.*

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 12 January 1999.

For the Commission
Franz FISCHLER
Member of the Commission

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[1] OJ L 84, 27. 3. 1987, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 210, 28. 7. 1998, p. 8.
[3] OJ L 241, 1. 9. 1988, p. 88.
[4] OJ L 202, 24. 7. 1991, p. 16.
[5] OJ L 210, 28. 7. 1998, p. 63.
[6] OJ L 309, 19. 11. 1998, p. 18.