



NUTRITION AND FOOD INNOVATION UNIT

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Ref. AA/sfp – (2022) 8198935

**Food and Feed safety, Innovation, Biotechnology
Directorate General for Health and Food Safety
European Commission**

Attn: Irene Sacristan Sanchez - Head of Unit

By email only

Subject: Acceptance of the mandate for the evaluation of additional information on maize MIR162

EFSA Question number: **EFSA-Q-2022-00853**

Ref.: Ares (2022)8198935

Dear Ms Sacristan Sanchez,

The request for the evaluation of additional information on maize MIR162 [Ares (2022)8198935] refers to comments received during the Public Consultation on the opinions on applications for authorisation of genetically modified maize MON 89034 × 1507 × MIR162 × NK603 × DAS-40278-9¹ and renewal of the authorisation of genetically modified maize MIR162² that EFSA is currently addressing. The three requests are interlinked.

To ensure that all information is considered including possible additional information to be requested from applicants the timeline for response of the three requests will need to be aligned. I hope this is acceptable by your services.

The Mandate "Additional information on maize MIR162" has been registered under the reference M-2022-00202 and question number EFSA-Q-2022-00853.

Please use this reference for further communication with EFSA concerning this Mandate.

¹ Public comments on an application submitted under Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 on GM Food and Feed - Application EFSA-GMO-NL-2018-151 - Ares(2022)6510903 [21 September 2022]

² Public comments on a renewal application submitted under Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 on GM Food and Feed (RX-025) - Ares(2022)7751206 [10 November 2022]



Yours sincerely,

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