

Good afternoon All,

I hope this mail finds you well.

We received some requests from producers in your area to authorise the use of various chemicals on barley just before harvest to eliminate re-growth that occurred due to the late rain season and to assist with evening out ripeness of the crop.

Chemicals mentioned included glyphosate and paraquat. I am sure that you are aware that these chemicals can be dangerous to humans and it can also sterilise the barely crop which can be devastating for the producers performing this action, the handling and storage agent (SSK), us at ABInBev and our customers, the beer drinker.

If trace elements are found in producers samples that is above the legal limit it will cause us to reject the entire bin. The legal implication of this is massive between parties involved regarding contamination of product ect. The implementation of the barley passport is critical as a first gate of refusal, so please implement it to the t (Both the producer and chemical representative sign the document to state that the info on the passport are correct – so both are liable). Both glyphosate and paraquat are registered on barley and included in the barley passport, but both as a non-selective herbicide that can be used prior to the planting action takes place (As specified on the label).

I would thus urge you to please ask all of your producers not to use the above mentioned practice and to please inform us if you know of anyone that already applied these no selective herbicides to their fields to decrease the risk of all parties involved. Rather act on those who is wrong than create a massive issue for all.

Extensive due diligence testing will be done this year on the crop due to the glyphosate scandal in the US and Monsanto, so please rather speak up than just keep quiet and hope for the best.

Regards,

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