NAME OF THE ORGANISM: Candidatus Phytoplasma associated with Vaccinium (Blueberry witches broom phytoplasma) (1PHYPG\*)

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE PEST

Name as submitted in the project specification (if different to the preferred name):

Blueberry witches' broom phytoplasma
Pest category:

Bacteria

Remarks:

Instead of listing Blueberry witches' broom phytoplasma, the Fruit SEWG proposed to discard all names of phytoplasma listed in the EU Marketing Directive and to add all phytoplasma species reported from naturally infected Vaccinium plants. This would consist in the listing of ‘Candidatus Phytoplasma pruni’, ‘Candidatus Phytoplasma asteris’ [Blueberry stunt phytoplasma], ‘Candidatus Phytoplasma solani’ [Blueberry Reddening disease], and the Cranberry false blossom phytoplasma.

HOST PLANT N°1: Vaccinium (1VACG) for the Fruits (including hops) sector.

**CONCLUSION ON THE STATUS:**

Not evaluated: from the fruit Marketing Directive (see Terms of reference)