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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1.	Notifying Member: <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: European Commission Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point Fax: +(32) 2 299 80 43 E-mail: eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu Website: http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/tbt/
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Fertilisers
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to fertilisers for the purposes of adapting Annexes I and IV (4 pages + Annexes 16 pages, in English)..
6.	Description of content: The purposes of the legislative proposal are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• to change the minimum nutrient requirement for crude potassium salt;• to include new types of nitrification and urease inhibitors in the list of authorised inhibitors;• to enable the placing on the market, as EC fertilisers, of fluid NPK, NP and NK fertilisers containing urea formaldehyde;• to introduce reference to EN Standards for the new nitrification and urease inhibitors.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Manufacturers will benefit from facilitated access to the internal market and farmers will take advantage of a wider range of fertiliser types.• The efficient control of fertilisers will be reinforced by the use of a common EN Standard.

8.	Relevant documents: Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to fertilisers, OJEU L304, 21.11.2003, pp. 1-194. http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2003:304:0001:0194:EN:PDF
9.	Proposed date of adoption: November 2014 Proposed date of entry into force: 20 days from publication in the Official Journal of the EU
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from notification
11.	Text available from: National enquiry point [], or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point Fax: + (32) 2 299 80 43 E-mail: eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu The text is available on the EU-TBT Website : http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/tbt/ http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2014/tbt/EEC/14_0900_00_e.pdf http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2014/tbt/EEC/14_0900_01_e.pdf