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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: grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu Website: http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/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 (HS: 31)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules on the making available on the market of CE marked fertilising products and amending Regulations (EC) No 1069/2009 and (EC) No 1107/2009 (COM(2016) 157 final) (43 pages + 74 pages of annex, in English, French and Spanish).
6.	Description of content: The purposes of the legislative proposal are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To extend the scope of EU legislation to organic-based fertilisers, soil improvers, growing media, plant biostimulants and additives• To limit pollutants in such products• To repeal regulation (EC) No 2003/2003 relating to fertilisers
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Manufacturers of fertilising products not yet harmonised will benefit from a facilitated access to the EU single market. Presumption of product conformity to the harmonised requirements will be ensured by means of EN harmonised standards• The safety of products placed on the EU market will be reinforced by the introduction of maximum limit values for contaminants in particular for cadmium in inorganic phosphate fertilisers.• EU Farmers will take advantage of a wider range of fertilising products.

8.	Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 laying down health rules as regards animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1774/2002 (Animal by-products Regulation) (<i>OJ L 300</i>, 14.11.2009, p. 1-33): http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1458317704374&uri=CELEX:32009R1069 Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC (<i>OJ L 309</i>, 24.11.2009, p. 1-50): http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1458317794783&uri=CELEX:32009R1107 Roadmap for the revision URL: http://ec.europa.eu/smart-regulation/roadmaps/docs/2012_grow_001_fertilisers_en.pdf
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 2018 Proposed date of entry into force: 2018
10.	Final date for comments: 90 days from notification
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body: European Commission EU-TBT Enquiry Point Fax: + (32) 2 299 80 43 E-mail: grow-eu-tbt@ec.europa.eu The text is available on the Website: http://ec.europa.eu/growth/tools-databases/tbt/ http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1459325898201&uri=CELEX:52016PC0157 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/TBT/EEC/16_1320_00_e.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/TBT/EEC/16_1320_01_e.pdf