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SCHEDULE 1

ADDITIONAL STANDARDS OF GOOD AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITION THAT APPLY IN RELATION TO LAND SET ASIDE FROM PRODUCTION

PART B

General standards applying to all land set aside from production

Application of fertiliser, waste, lime and gypsum to the land set-aside from production

15.—(1) A farmer must not apply any fertiliser, waste, lime or gypsum to the land set aside from production except in accordance with the following sub-paragraphs.

(2) A farmer may apply fertilisers to the land set-aside from production if prior to such application he or she satisfies the National Assembly that the land is situated in an area known to be used as a feeding area by geese in winter and is to be managed as such an area.

(3) Throughout the set-aside period a farmer may apply organic waste to the land set aside from production provided that it —

- (a) is applied only where there is an existing green cover on the set-aside land;
- (b) is applied in amounts which will not destroy that green cover; and
- (c) in the case of manure and slurry, is not applied
 - (i) within 10 metres of any watercourse; or
 - (ii) within 50 metres of any boreholes.

(4) A farmer must not store, dump or otherwise dispose of any waste on the land set aside from production, save that he or she may store organic waste in a field which comprises or forms part of the set-aside land where that organic waste is to be applied by him or her to that field in accordance with sub-paragraph (3).

(5) A farmer may apply fertiliser during the current year to any agricultural parcel of land managed in accordance with paragraph 4 where a new green cover is being established in that year, provided that the total nitrogen content of that fertiliser is not more than 30 kilograms per hectare of the land to which it is applied.

(6) A farmer may apply lime or gypsum to the land set aside from production where that land is to be cropped in the following year.