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ANNEX III

Labelling requirements

PART I

GENERAL LABELLING REQUIREMENTS

- 1. The following information shall be provided:
- (a) for EU fertilising products in PFC 1 to PFC 6, the designation as indicated in Part I of Annex I of the PFC corresponding to the product's claimed function;
- (b) for EU fertilising products in PFC 7, the designations as indicated in Part I of Annex I of all the PFCs corresponding to the claimed functions of the component EU fertilising products;
- (c) the quantity of the EU fertilising product, indicated by mass or volume;
- (d) instructions for intended use, including application rates, timing and frequency, and target plants or mushrooms;
- (e) recommended storage conditions;
- (f) for products containing a polymer belonging to CMC 9 in Part II of Annex II, the time period following use during which the nutrient release is being controlled or the water retention capacity is being increased (the 'functionality period'), which shall not be longer than the period between two applications in accordance with the use instructions referred to in point (d);
- (g) any relevant information on measures recommended to manage risks to human, animal or plant health, to safety or to the environment; and
- (h) a list of all ingredients above 5 % by product weight in descending order of magnitude by dry weight, including the designations of the relevant CMCs as referred to in Part I of Annex II to this Regulation; where the ingredient is a substance or a mixture, it shall be identified as specified in Article 18 of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008.
- 2. Where the EU fertilising product has functions described in two or more of the PFCs laid down in Annex I, only those functions for which the EU fertilising product has been subject to a successful conformity assessment in accordance with this Regulation may be claimed by using the corresponding PFC designations as indicated in Part I of Annex I.
- 3. Where the EU fertilising product contains a substance for which maximum residue limits for food and feed have been established in accordance with Regulation (EEC) No 315/93, Regulation (EC) No 396/2005, Regulation (EC) No 470/2009 or Directive 2002/32/EC, the instructions referred to in point 1(d) shall ensure that the intended use of the EU fertilising product does not lead to the exceedance of those limits in food or feed.
- 4. Where the EU fertilising product contains derived products within the meaning of Regulation (EC) No 1069/2009 other than manure, the following instruction shall be provided on the label: 'Farmed animals shall not be fed, either directly or by grazing, with herbage from land to which the product has been applied unless the cutting or grazing takes place after the expiry of a waiting period of at least 21 days.'.

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- 5. Where the EU fertilising product contains ricin, the following instruction shall be provided on the label: 'Hazardous to animals in case of ingestion'.
- 6. Where the EU fertilising product contains unprocessed or processed cocoa shells, the following instruction shall be provided on the label: 'Toxic to dogs and cats'.
- 7. Where the EU fertilising product contains a polymer with the purpose of binding material in the product, as referred to in point 1(c) of CMC 9 in Part II of Annex II, the user shall be instructed not to use the product in contact with soil, and in collaboration with the manufacturer, make sure of a sound disposal of the products after end of use.
- 8. Information other than the information required under points 1 to 6:
- shall not mislead the user, for example by attributing to the product properties that it does not possess, or by suggesting that the product possesses unique characteristics which similar products also have;
- (b) shall relate to verifiable factors;
- shall not make claims such as 'sustainable' or 'environmentally friendly' unless such claims refer to legislation, or clearly identified guidelines, standards or schemes, with which the EU fertilising product complies; and
- (d) shall not make claims by means of statements or visual representations that the EU fertilising product prevents or treats plant diseases or protects plants against harmful organisms.
- 9. The phrase 'poor in chloride' or similar may only be used if the chloride (Cl-) content is below 30 g/kg of dry matter.
- 10. Where the nutrient content information requirements in this Annex are expressed in oxidised form, the nutrient content may be expressed in elemental form instead or in addition to the oxidised form in accordance with the following conversion factors:

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phosphorus (P) = phosphorus pentoxide (P_2O_5) \times 0,436;

potassium (K) = potassium oxide (K_2O) \times 0,830;

calcium (Ca) = calcium oxide (CaO) \times 0,715;

magnesium (Mg) = magnesium oxide (MgO) \times 0,603;

sodium (Na) = sodium oxide (Na_2O) \times 0,742;

sulphur (S) = sulphur trioxide (SO_3) \times 0,400.
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Where the information requirements in this Annex refer to organic carbon (C_{org}), the information may refer to organic matter instead of or in addition to organic carbon (C_{org}), in accordance with the following conversion factor:

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organic carbon (C_{org}) = organic matter \times 0,56.
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