## <u>INFORMATION</u> ON THE NOTIFICATION OF EC FERTILISERS FOR THE APPLICANTS

Certain fertilisers can be freely placed on the market as EC fertiliser without any authorisation procedure if they can be classified as EC fertiliser type in accordance with the *Regulation 2003/2003/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to fertilisers (hereinafter:* EC Regulation).

In order to perform the necessary compliance checks, the EC fertilisers intended for placing on the market in Hungary, must be notified to the National Food Chain Safety Office Directorate of Plant Protection, Soil Conservation and Agri-environment, the competent authority (*hereinafter*: NÉBIH) in every year **30 days before the start of the first placing on the market** in accordance with the Decree 37/2006 (V. 18.) FVM on the placing on the market and control of fertilisers designated as "EC fertiliser" (hereinafter: Decree 37/2006).

The notification shall be made by the **manufacturer** and if the product is not manufactured in Hungary, **exclusively by the first distributor in Hungary** by indicating the trade name, exact composition, the type of EC fertiliser and the manufacturer. In case the notified product has been previously approved and no changes have been made either in the trade name or in the composition, it is enough to submit only the trade name and the file number of the certificate.

If the fertiliser complies with the requirements of *EC Regulation*, the NÉBIH shall register the placing on the market of the fertiliser notified and send a certificate to the notifier by mail. The list of notified fertilisers is uploaded to the website of the NEBIH.

If a fertiliser having the authorisation for placing on the market and used of yield enhancing substances complies with the requirements of *EC Regulation*, and the authorisation holder wants to place the fertiliser on the market as EC fertiliser, he/she has to notify this also to the NÉBIH before the distribution. Within 30 days of the submission of the notification, the NÉBIH shall withdraw the authorisation for placing on the market and used of yield enhancing substances.

During the year it is possible to notify marketing of any new EC fertilisers or EC fertilisers with changed content, but certificates shall be valid in every case till 31 December of the year. The procedure is free of charge and the application shall be submitted with the data specified in the following annex. If you have any questions, please contact the responsible persons as follows:

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Zsuzsanna SZTUPÁR soil conservationist phone: +36-1/309-1053 e-mail: <u>sztuparzs@nebih.gov.hu</u> National Food Chain Safety Office Directorate for Plant Protection, Soil Conservation and Agri-environment (NÉBIH) Address: H-1118 Budapest, Budaörsi út 141-145., Hungary P.O.Box: 1537 Budapest, Pf. 407. <u>Annex</u> <u>Data requirements of an application to be submitted for notification of EC fertiliser</u>

 Distributor's data:

 Company:

 Address:

 Phone:

 e-mail:

 Data of fertiliser to be notified:

 Name of fertiliser:

 Manufacturer:

 Nutrient composition expressed in weight % (w/w %) :

 Type of fertiliser in compliance with Regulation 2003/2003/EC (Annex I)