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Dear

Thank you for your mail of 6 March (ARES(2019)1749565) regarding the new Regulation on fertilisers<sup>1</sup> and the consequences for organics.

Currently we have not planned an update of the annexe of Regulation (EC) No 889/2008<sup>2</sup> with regard to fertilisers. The Regulation on fertilisers is now published in the Official Journal and we are in the process of analysing the consequences for the organic legislation. Be aware that we have until July 2022 as this is the date of application of most provisions of that Regulation. Therefore it is most likely that we can take the new legislation into account by the time that we prepare for the implementing act on fertilisers under Regulation (EU) No 848/2018<sup>3</sup>. This act will be prepared in the course of next year.

The present opinion is provided on the basis of the facts as set out in your e-mail and expresses the view of the Commission services and does not commit the European Commission. In the event of a dispute involving Union law it is, under the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, ultimately for the European Court of Justice to provide a definitive interpretation of the applicable Union law.

Yours faithfully,



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Regulation (EU) 2019/1009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 laying down rules on the making available on the market of EU fertilising products.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32008R0889

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32018R0848&from=EN