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Foreword

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Fertilizers — Presentation of sampling reports

0 Introduction

In many cases, sampling is carried out in accordance with legal requirements, and, in these cases, a legal sampling report has to be completed. For all other cases, or for cases where it is considered that insufficient information is provided by the legal sampling report, the information specified in this International Standard should be given.

A sampling report should be made out for each sample taken. If the sample is divided into a number of equivalent portions, a copy of the sampling report should accompany each portion.

1 Scope and field of application

This International Standard specifies the information to be given in sampling reports for consignments of fertilizers.

An example of a typical sampling report is given in the annex.

2 Essential information

The following essential information shall always be given in the sampling report.

- a) The name of the sampler and the department or organization to which he belongs.
- b) The name, description or designation associated with the fertilizer, and whether it is in bulk or in packages.
- c) Any declared information on the composition or the fineness of grind of the fertilizer, and, if available, a copy of any labels attached to the original packages containing the product.
- d) Any lot or consignment numbers for the complete identification of the lot, and, if possible, the date of manufacture or delivery.

e) The quantity of fertilizer sampled (i.e. the lot in terms of mass and/or the number of packages) and its relation to the total amount present.

f) If the fertilizer was in packages, the nature of the packages and the method of sealing.

g) The sampling plan adopted and the number of increments taken. (If sampling was carried out in accordance with an International Standard or other standard, its reference shall be given.)

h) Any relevant observations made during the sampling procedure, including assessment of the condition of the fertilizer.

j) The date, time and postal address of the place of sampling, including, where appropriate, the name of any vessel or the registration number of any vehicle from which the sample was taken.

k) The identification mark or reference number given to the sample by the sampler.

m) The method of sealing the sample containers, with a description of any seals.

n) The names and addresses of the parties to the relevant transaction, for example manufacturer, importer or vendor and purchaser or holder of the sampled fertilizer.

p) The destinations of the laboratory samples and information for the analysts.

q) The signature of the sampler and name and signature of any independent witness or person from whom any of the information given in the report was obtained.

3 Additional information

The sampler may, if he so wishes, or shall, if instructed by the client, annex any other information not required by clause 2. If the sampler has been so instructed by the client, the latter shall supply a detailed list of the items of additional information required.