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Canadian Fertilizer Industry Commends CFIA for Collaborative Review of *Fertilizers Regulations*

OTTAWA, ON – Fertilizer Canada commends the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) for its work to update the regulations and reflect the needs of the industry. A modernization of the *Fertilizers Regulations* encourages innovation, environmental and economic sustainability and international leadership for Canada in the field of fertilizers and supplements.

Effective, science-based regulatory oversight of fertilizer and supplement products ensures the safety of the Canadian marketplace. Amendments to the *Fertilizers Regulations* that keep pace with science, industry developments and international harmonization improve timely access to safe and reliable products for Canadian farmers.

“The Canadian fertilizer industry is continuously looking to innovate and make improvements to further our strategic goal of ensuring the safe and sustainable use of fertilizer products,” said Garth Whyte, President & CEO of Fertilizer Canada. “Fertilizer Canada values our collaborative relationship with the CFIA and appreciates opportunities to participate in the review process of regulations.”

Through the Canadian Fertilizer Products Forum, members of Fertilizer Canada were highly engaged in a positive review process and were able to provide early input to shape the modernized regulations. Our association has also done a technical review of the draft regulatory text and have compiled a summary of industry recommendations with technical amendments to further improve the draft Regulations.

Fertilizer Canada and its members encourage the CFIA to continue to consult with industry when developing guidance documents and providing clear language interpretation for the *Fertilizers Regulations*. We look forward to continuing to work with them to meet and discuss the industry’s recommendations of the proposed amendments.

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Fertilizer Canada represents manufacturers, wholesale and retail distributors of nitrogen, phosphate, potash and sulphur fertilizers. The fertilizer industry plays an essential role in Canada’s economy, contributing \$23 billion annually and over 76,000 jobs. The association is committed to supporting the fertilizer industry with innovative research and programming while advocating sustainability, stewardship, safety and security through standards and Codes of Practice. Please visit fertilizercanada.ca.

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