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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

organic amendments - compost containing substances of agronomic interest obtained from water treatment

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

This Order mainly concerns the compulsory implementation of a new standard: Standard NF U 44-095 (May 2002) - Organic amendments - compost containing substances of agronomic interest obtained from water treatment. The aforementioned Standard NF U 44-095 was drawn up for organic amendments containing substances obtained from water treatment, having undergone processing and in particular composting, following "product" logic and not "waste" logic. The aforementioned standard specifies the list of raw materials that can be used in the composition of products and guarantees, by means of specific criteria (trace metal elements, trace organic compounds, micro-organisms), the safety with regard to humans, animals and the environment as well as the agronomic effectiveness of products (mineralisation and characterisation of stability potential tests).

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

For reasons of public health, standards relating to fertilisers and growth mediums are rendered compulsory. This standard must therefore also be rendered compulsory.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- ? The Customs Code, in particular Article 38 thereof;
- ? The Consumer Code, in particular Article L214-1 thereof;
- ? The Rural Code, in particular Article L 255-2 thereof;
- ? Law No 41-1987 of 24 May 1941 on standardisation;
- ? Decree No 84-74 of 26 January 1984, amended, establishing the status of standardisation, in particular Article 12 thereof;

The basic texts have already been sent with Notifications Nos 2002/460/F and 2002/461/F Standard NF U 44-095 (May 2002) - Organic amendments - composts containing substances of agronomic interest obtained from water treatment.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

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12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality No
14. Fiscal measures No
15. Impact assessment
16. TBT and SPS aspects Yes (TBT)
Yes (SPS)
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