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Order approving technical specifications for the placement on the market and use of agricultural methanisation digestates as fertilisers

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No abre el plazo - Nezhahajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Não inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - He се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Certain digestates of agricultural origin meeting the definition of fertilisers

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The provision referred to in point 3 of Article L255-5 and Article R255-29 of the Rural and Maritime Fishing Code [CRPM] enables the Minister for Agriculture to authorise, by order, the use and placement on the market of fertilisers, fertiliser additives and cultivation substrates referred to in Article L255-1 in accordance with technical specifications.

Products complying with these technical specifications shall be exempt from the marketing authorisation referred to in Article L255-2 and, where applicable, no longer be classified as waste. These fertilisers may therefore be placed on the market, transferred free of charge or used on national territory by the operator of the methanisation unit for the uses cited in the technical specifications. The products in question are raw agricultural methanisation digestates within the meaning of Articles L311-1 and D311-18 of the CRPM, for which the list of inputs and details regarding the methanisation process, storage, uses and labelling are set out in these technical specifications.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The purpose of this draft is to set forth an appropriate procedure enabling residues known as digestates of agricultural origin for the production of biogas to be placed on the market and used as agricultural fertilisers. The input materials for the methane digester are effluent from livestock, crop waste or certain vegetable waste from the agrifood industry. This procedure will facilitate the use and implementation of agricultural methanisation with the aim of developing income for farmers in the context of energy transition. Methanisation is therefore both an alternative sector for processing organic agricultural waste, enabling it to be agriculturally reused in an agro-ecological approach, and a renewable energy production sector enabling waste to be economically reused as part of the circular economy. This measure is politically supported through the EMAA [Methane energy and nitrogen autonomy] plan, launched in 2013 by the Ministers for Agriculture and the Environment.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Reference(s) to basic text(s): Articles L255-1 to L255-5 and L255-29 of the Rural and Maritime Fishing Code



11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

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16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

No - the draft has no significant impact on international trade.

SPS aspect

No - the draft has no significant impact on international trade.

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