FERTILIZER INDUSTRY MEMORANDUM NO. 5-4

LABELING AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BULK PESTICIDE/ FERTILIZER MIXTURES SOLD AND APPLIED BY COMMERCIAL APPLICATORS

OBJECTIVE:

To set forth uniform labeling and registration requirements for bulk pesticide/fertilizer mixtures.

BACKGROUND:

Pesticides approved by the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act are considered additives when mixed into a commercial fertilizer (§63.002[a][4] of the Texas Commercial Fertilizer Control Act). The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) regulates pesticides and applicators of pesticides under Chapter 76 of the Texas Agriculture Code (Pesticide and Herbicide Regulation).

POLICY:

The person or firm responsible for the bulk pesticide/fertilizer mixture must be registered with this Office and the brand name of fertilizer must be registered with our Office. All bulk pesticide fertilizer mixtures must be labeled in accordance with Subchapter D (Labeling) of the Texas Commercial Fertilizer Control Act. In addition, the label must contain the trade name of the pesticide, the pesticide rate per acre, the fertilizer rate per acre, the crop on which it is recommended, and the date of application.

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Example Label for Bulk Pesticide/Fertilizer Mixtures

XYZ BEST _____ _____ _____

GUARANTEED ANALYSIS

Total Nitrogen (N) _____ %
Available Phosphate (P₂O₅) _____ %
Soluble Potash (K₂O) _____ %

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Date of Application __________________________
Trade Name of Pesticide/Herbicide __________________________
Pesticide/Herbicide Rate Per Acre __________________________
Fertilizer Rate Per Acre __________________________
For use on __________________________________ only
(List Crops)

For maximum acceptable application rates & components of this fertilizer, write to the guarantor and reference the invoice number.

GUARANTEED BY:

XYZ, INC.
Anywhere, TX 00000

Net Weight ____________