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FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDE AUTHORITY

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ALL CONCERNED IMPORTERS/ DISTRIBUTORS/ EXPORTERS AND

HANDLERS OF FERTILIZER AND PESTICIDE PRODUCTS

SUBJECT

OPERATIONALIZATION AND GUIDELINES IN THE USE OF THE FPA

LABORATORY

Please be informed that the Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority (FPA) Laboratory is now ready to accept fertilizer samples for analysis.

Pursuant to Section 9 of Presidential Decree No. 1144, "No pesticides, fertilizers, and other agricultural chemicals shall be exported, imported, manufactured, formulated, stored, distributed, sold or offered for sale, transported, delivered for transportation or used unless it has been duly registered with the FPA for use in accordance with the conditions as stipulated in the permit. Separate registrations shall be required for each active ingredient and its possible formulations in the case of pesticides or for each fertilizer grade in the case of fertilizer."

The fertilizer analyses to be conducted by the FPA Laboratory include the following parameters: total nitrogen (nitrate-free, nitrate-N and ammoniacal N), phosphorus (total and available P), total potassium, biuret, moisture content, secondary macronutrients and micronutrients and organic matter. With that, the complete analysis of straight nitrogenous, phosphatic, potassic, compound NPK fertilizers and organic/compost can be analyzed. In addition, analysis of plant growth regulators, as well as impurity analysis with the use of GC/MS can also be performed.

In view hereof, attached is the Administrative Order No. 1 showing the schedule of laboratory fees to be charged by the FPA Laboratory.

This Memorandum Circular takes effect immediately and shall remain enforce until otherwise revoked.

Thank you.

Officer-In-Charge

