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Dear Freshcare Participating Business,

Campbells Fertilisers Australasia have been importing quality fertilisers into the Australian market for over 30 years, as an Australian owned and operated Specialty fertiliser importer.

Campbells Fertilisers Australasia has traditionally focussed its' imports on horticultural crops and products that service this industry, including key fruit and vegetable crops for the Australian market. Our product categories cover:

- Compound and Granular fertilisers
- Soluble solid fertilisers
- Trace elements (Soluble and liquid)
- Liquids (Fertigation and foliar)
- Biostimulants

To support this range, Campbells Fertilisers Australasia leverage technical and quality knowledge from our manufacturers, but we also have an internal team of tertiary qualified agronomists that we rely on for quality advice and recommendations.

Campbells Fertilisers Australasia is a member of Fertilizer Australia and as such supports the industry code of practices, alignment with product labelling and product quality. Many Campbells Fertilisers Australasia customers and users have implemented on-farm quality assurance programs such as Freshcare, and as a part of their compliance requirements, have requested their suppliers fulfill specific requirements as an approved supplier.

This letter serves to confirm that the products imported by Campbells Fertilisers Australasia are compliant with current standards, and that at every stage of our businesses we endeavour to perform according to quality processes and guidelines.

Thank you for your enquiry.

Regards,
Management Team

Heavy Metals in Specialty Fertiliser

1. Definition

Heavy metals are naturally occurring in the environment and can also be present in certain mined fertiliser raw ingredients. These ingredients may then be utilised in the production of inorganic fertilisers, which may then contain trace amounts of certain heavy metals, of which Cadmium is generally of the greatest concern due to its ability to be taken up by plant roots.

2. Industry Statement

Depending on the source material and manufacturing process, fertilisers can contain impurities that may affect plants and animals. Known impurities are managed by a combination of various government and industry regulation of Maximum Permissible Concentrations (MPC's), combined with warning statements and guidance around appropriate usage.

Fertiliser that is labelled according to the National Code of Practice for Fertiliser Description and Labelling will state the content of any impurities that are above defined levels and provide warnings about how they should be used. Although Food Standards Australia concluded that there are no public health and safety concerns for Australian consumers with Cadmium dietary intake, the fertiliser industry is committed to maintaining minimal levels of heavy metals in inorganic fertilisers.

3. Further Reading

- Food Standards Australia "*25th Australian Total Diet Study:" 2019 page 6 available at:* www.foodstandards.gov.au/publications/Documents/25thAustralianTotalDietStudy.pdf
- A copy of the current Code of Practice is available at: Labelling and Description (fertilizer.org.au)
- Discussion around Food Safety and Heavy Metals in the food chain https://fertilizer.org.au/Fertilizer-Issues/Food-Safety
- Victorian Fertiliser Regulation guide Fertiliser regulation | Chemicals | Farm management | Agriculture Victoria

4. Summary

Campbells Fertilisers Australasia (CFA) meets legal requirements and operates within accepted Industry Standards for the sale of fertilisers within Australia.

Additionally, processes are in place to minimise risk, which may include an initial Certificate of Analysis (COA)* from our suppliers, random product sampling and regular independent testing to monitor accuracy of COA's, and regular manufacturing reviews with our suppliers.

**Specifications related to individual product batches are available by request when available.*

Disclaimer

The information and recommendations set out in herein are no substitute for professional or expert advice and are based on tests and data believed to be reliable at the time of publication. Results may vary, as the use and application of fertilisers is beyond our control and may be subject to climatic, geographical or biological variables. To the maximum extent permitted by law, CFA disclaims all warranties of any kind, whether express or implied, including but not limited to any warranty that this information is up-to-date, complete, true, legally compliant, accurate, non-misleading or suitable.

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