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FERTILIZERS.

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A BILL INTITULED

AN ACT to make better Provision for controlling the Sale of Fertilizers. Title.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Fertilizers Act, 1927, and shall come into force on the first day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-eight. Short Title and commencement

2. In this Act, if not inconsistent with the context,— Interpretation.

10 "Analyst" means an Analyst appointed under this Act, and includes the Chemist: 1908, No. 62, s. 2

"Chemist" means the person for the time being holding the office of Chief Chemist of the Department of Agriculture:

15 "Deposited statement" means in respect of any fertilizer the statement of particulars required by section six hereof to be deposited by the vendor with the Director-General when applying for the registration of a brand for the fertilizer:

"Director-General" means the Director-General of the Department of Agriculture:

“Fertilizer” means any substance used for enriching the soil and in a state suitable and intended for application to the land, and which contains in appreciable amount nitrogen, phosphoric acid, or potash; it does not include lime, nor stable manure or any crude refuse which has not been dried or so treated that decomposition will be arrested until applied to the land: 5

“Filler” or “diluent” means any substance, not containing in appreciable amount nitrogen, phosphoric acid, or potash, which is incorporated mechanically and not by any chemical process as a component of any fertilizer: 10

“Inspector” means an Inspector appointed under this Act:

“Manufacture” includes the process of mixing substances mechanically to form a fertilizer of more than one component: 15

“Nitrogen” means chemically combined nitrogen:

“Phosphoric acid” means phosphoric anhydride (P_2O_5):

“Potash” means dipotassic oxide (K_2O):

“Premises” includes any ship, truck, or vehicle of any description:

“Sale” or “sell” includes barter, and also includes offering or attempting to sell or receiving for sale or having in possession for sale or exposing for sale or sending or delivering for sale or causing or allowing to be sold, offered, or exposed for sale: 20

“Vendor” means any person who, either on his own account or on behalf of any person, sells in the ordinary course of his business any fertilizer. 25

Act not to apply to sale of small quantities.

Appointment of Analysts and Inspectors.
1908, No. 62, s. 8

Vendors to register names.
Ibid., s. 3

Registration of brands.

3. Nothing in this Act shall apply to the sale of any fertilizer where the quantity sold is less than five hundredweight.

4. (1) There may from time to time be appointed such Analysts and Inspectors as are required for the purposes of this Act, who shall have the powers and shall perform the duties hereinafter set out and such further powers and duties as are prescribed. 30

(2) Every Inspector appointed under the Weights and Measures Act, 1925, shall be deemed to be an Inspector appointed under this Act.

5. Every vendor shall, before offering any fertilizer for sale, and thereafter while carrying on his business as such, in the month of June in each year, register his name and address with the Director-General at Wellington. 35

6. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, every fertilizer sold shall be sold under a registered brand; and every vendor shall, when registering his name and address in terms of the last preceding section, or at any later date, apply for registration of a brand in respect of every fertilizer to be sold by him during the period ending on the thirtieth day of the next ensuing month of June, and shall for that purpose deposit with the Director-General, at Wellington, a statement containing with respect to the fertilizer the following particulars:— 40

(a) A facsimile of the brand:

(b) The name of the fertilizer:

(c) A general description of the fertilizer, showing the percentage of each of the following fertilizing ingredients when present: 50
Nitrogen soluble in water; nitrogen insoluble in water;
phosphoric acid soluble in water; phosphoric acid insoluble

in water; potash soluble in water; and, at the option of the vendor, phosphoric acid insoluble in water but soluble in a solution of citric acid of prescribed strength:

(d) In respect of each of the ingredients aforesaid present in the fertilizer, the form or forms in which such ingredient occurs, and, unless it is the sole material, the percentage of the material supplying such ingredient contained in the fertilizer:

(e) The fineness of grinding of the fertilizer or of any component of such fertilizer (in the case only of any fertilizing or other substance in respect of which it is prescribed that the fineness of grinding must be disclosed in the deposited statement and invoice certificate):

(f) The nature of any filler or diluent present in the fertilizer, and the percentage contained in the fertilizer:

Provided that a vendor shall not be required to register a brand in respect of any fertilizer purchased or procured by him from any other person and proposed to be sold under a brand registered or to be registered by such other person, but the vendor shall deposit with the Director-General at the times aforesaid the name of such person, a facsimile of the brand, and the name of the fertilizer:

Provided further that it shall not be necessary for a vendor to register a brand in respect of a fertilizer made up of materials and in proportions according to the written instructions of the purchaser (hereinafter referred to as a "special mixture").

(2) For the purpose of complying with the requirements of paragraph (d) of subsection *one* hereof, the vendor shall state the form in which the fertilizing ingredients occur as follows:—

(a) In the case of nitrogen soluble in water—as nitrate of soda, sulphate of ammonia, nitrate of lime, calcium cyanamide, or other water-soluble form, as the case may be:

(b) In the case of nitrogen insoluble in water—as dried blood, animal flesh, bone, or other insoluble form, as the case may be:

(c) In the case of phosphoric acid soluble in water—as superphosphate or other water-soluble form, as the case may be:

(d) In the case of phosphoric acid insoluble in water—as basic slag, basic superphosphate, reverted phosphate, phosphate rock or phosphatic guano (of declared geographical origin), bonedust, or other insoluble form, as the case may be:

(e) In the case of potash soluble in water—as sulphate, chloride, nitrate, or other water-soluble form, as the case may be.

(3) The Director-General shall refuse to register any brand which is the same as any brand already registered by any other person or so similar as to be likely to mislead, or if he is of opinion that the fertilizer to which the brand applies differs materially from a fertilizer previously registered under the same brand or under a brand so similar as to be calculated to mislead a purchaser, or if he is of opinion that the substance in respect of which a brand is sought to be registered is not a fertilizer within the meaning of this Act.

(4) No vendor shall sell any fertilizer under any brand until he has received from the Director-General a certificate of the registration of the brand, or, in the case of a vendor selling a fertilizer under the brand of

another person, a notification that such brand has been registered in respect of the fertilizer.

(5) The registration of a brand shall remain in force from the first day of July in each year, or such later date as is indicated in the certificate of registration issued as aforesaid, until the thirtieth day of June next following. 5

Branding of packages of fertilizers for sale.

7. (1) Except as hereinafter provided, no fertilizer shall be sold otherwise than in packages, and each package shall be branded with the registered name and brand of the fertilizer.

(2) In the case of a special mixture the vendor shall, for the purpose of complying with the provisions of the *last preceding* subsection, brand each package containing the fertilizer clearly and distinctly with the words "special mixture." The vendor shall at any time within six months after making the mixture show to an Inspector on request the written instructions received by him from the purchaser. 10 15

Fertilizer may be sold in bulk under certain conditions.

8. (1) Subject to the conditions hereinafter imposed, a vendor may sell and forward fertilizer in bulk to a purchaser if before despatch or delivery thereof he gives in the prescribed form at least two days' notice in writing to the nearest Inspector, other than an Inspector of Weights and Measures, of his intention so to do. 20

(2) Every vendor who sells fertilizer in bulk shall keep at his place of business a register in which he shall enter forthwith after consignment or delivery with respect to every consignment or parcel of fertilizer so sold in bulk the following particulars:—

- (a) The name of the purchaser; 25
- (b) The weight of fertilizer in the consignment or parcel;
- (c) The registered name and brand of the fertilizer;
- (d) The date and method of consignment or delivery (including the name of any forwarding agency); and
- (e) Such other particulars as are prescribed. 30

(3) Any fertilizer sold in bulk as aforesaid shall be deemed to be sold under the brand entered in the register as required by the *last preceding* subsection.

(4) Every such register shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of an Inspector, who may make copies of any entries therein. 35

(5) Every vendor who commits a breach of any of the provisions of this section or who makes any false entry in the register shall be guilty of an offence, and shall be liable to a fine of *fifty* pounds.

Brands of fertilizers on vendor's premises to be readily ascertainable.

9. (1) Where any fertilizer is held by a vendor in packages such packages shall be branded with the registered name and brand of the fertilizer. 40

(2) Every vendor shall keep in his stock-books, or elsewhere, an adequate record of the registered brands of all fertilizers kept on his premises in bulk, so that the registered brand of any bulk lot can be readily ascertained. Such record shall be available for inspection at any time by an Inspector, who shall be allowed to take a copy thereof. 45

(3) The fact that any fertilizer in branded packages is in the possession or under the control of a vendor shall be *prima facie* evidence that such fertilizer is offered for sale.

10. (1) On the delivery of any fertilizer, whether paid for at the time of sale or not, the vendor shall immediately deliver or post to the purchaser an invoice certificate in the form set out in the Schedule hereto, or to the like effect, signed by the vendor and setting out—

Invoice certificate on sale of fertilizers. 1908, No. 62, s. 6

- 6 (a) The full name and business address of the vendor :
- (b) The name and registered brand of the fertilizer :
- (c) The quantity of fertilizer comprised in the sale :
- 10 (d) The percentage of each of the following fertilizing ingredients present in the fertilizer: nitrogen soluble in water, nitrogen insoluble in water, phosphoric acid soluble in water, phosphoric acid insoluble in water, and potash soluble in water: ~~the forms in which such ingredients respectively occur; and the percentage of each of the materials supplying such ingredients contained in the fertilizer:~~
- 15 (e) The fineness of grinding (in the case of a fertilizer, or of any component thereof, in respect of which it is prescribed that the fineness of grinding must be declared) :
- (f) The nature of any filler or diluent present in the fertilizer, ~~and the percentage contained in the fertilizer :~~

20 Provided that if similar particulars have also been included in the deposited statement in respect of the fertilizer, a vendor may at his option, in addition to the other particulars hereinbefore prescribed, set out in the invoice certificate the percentage present in the fertilizer of phosphoric acid insoluble in water but soluble in a solution of citric acid of prescribed strength :

25 Provided further that in the case of a special mixture the vendor may show the particulars required to be set out in the invoice certificate, separately in respect of each component of the mixture ; in lieu of the name and registered brand required by paragraph (b) of this sub-section the words "special mixture" shall be inserted in the certificate.

30 (2) In preparing the invoice certificate the terms "nitrogen," "phosphoric acid," and "potash," or any other chemical term, must be stated by the vendor in words and not expressed by symbols. The following abbreviated terms may be used to express the meaning set opposite each, and when used in a context not inconsistent therewith, shall be deemed to have such meanings :—

- 35 "Soluble," meaning soluble in water ;
- "Insoluble," meaning insoluble in water :
- 40 "Citric soluble," meaning soluble in a solution of citric acid of prescribed strength.

(3) In every sale or contract for the sale of any fertilizer there shall be implied a warranty by the seller to the purchaser that the particulars stated in the invoice certificate are true in substance and in fact :

45 Provided that in respect of the percentage of any fertilizing ingredient certified to be present such warranty shall not preclude the seller from relying on any limits of error prescribed in respect of the statement of such percentages.

50 11. A vendor shall, when required to do so by the Chemist in writing, forthwith send for inspection or analysis, without payment, a sample of any fertilizer manufactured or imported by him and in respect of which a brand is registered or sought to be registered. The sample

Sample of fertilizer to be sent to Chemist on request.

shall be of the weight specified by the Chemist, but not exceeding *two* pounds.

Powers of entry
of Inspectors for
purpose of taking
samples.

1908, No. 62, s. 9

12. (1) An Inspector may at all reasonable times enter upon any premises in which he has reason to believe that there is any fertilizer prepared for sale or consignment, and may take a sample of such fertilizer. 5

(2) Every person who obstructs an Inspector in the exercise of his powers under this section is liable to a fine of *ten* pounds.

(3) In the exercise, at any railway-station or upon any railway premises, or upon the premises of any forwarding agency, of the powers conferred on him by this Act, an Inspector shall conform to such reasonable requirements of any person in authority on such premises as are necessary to prevent undue interference with traffic arrangements. 10

(4) On the taking of any sample by an Inspector at any railway-station, or upon any railway premises, wharf, or ship, or upon the premises of any forwarding agency, the Inspector shall be allowed to inspect any consignment or other forwarding note, or any record or other document enabling him to identify the consignor of the fertilizer, the consignee, and the date of consignment, and to take a copy of any such note, record, or document. 15

How sample to be
taken.

Ibid., s. 9

13. (1) Every sample taken by an Inspector shall be taken in the prescribed manner in the presence of the vendor if he is available, or if he is not available, then in the presence of some other witness. If the sample is taken on the premises of the vendor he shall supply the necessary labour if the Inspector so requires. 20

(2) With respect to every sample taken by an Inspector on the premises of a vendor the provisions of section ten hereof shall apply as if the taking of the sample were a sale of fertilizer within the meaning of this Act by the vendor to the Inspector and the relations existing between the Inspector and the vendor shall be deemed to be those of buyer and seller respectively. 25

Sample to be sent
to Chemist, &c.

Ibid., s. 10

14. (1) The Inspector shall divide each sample into three parts, and seal each part separately with an official seal, in the presence of the vendor or his agent whenever possible, or of another witness.

(2) He shall leave with or deliver to the vendor one such part and shall deliver a second part to the Analyst; the third part shall be retained by the Inspector and sealed by the vendor, if present and if he so desires. 30

(3) Delivery of a sample to an Analyst or to a vendor may be effected personally by the Inspector, or by posting by registered post to the usual address of the Analyst or vendor, as the case may be. 35

Analysis of sample
and certificate of
Analyst.

Ibid., s. 11

15. (1) The Analyst shall, on receiving the sample, divide it into two approximately equal representative portions, one of which he shall fasten up and seal in a suitable vessel for production, if required, in any proceedings that may thereafter be taken in the matter. 40

(2) He shall analyse the remaining portion, and shall set out the result in a certificate of analysis in the prescribed form. 45

(3) The result of the analysis shall be compared with the particulars certified by the vendor of the fertilizer from which the sample was taken, in the invoice certificate given by him in respect of the fertilizer, or with the particulars deposited by the vendor with the Director-General when registering the brand under which the fertilizer from which the 50

sample was taken was sold, and if there is a discrepancy in any respect between the result of the analysis and the aforesaid particulars the Analyst shall add to the certificate of analysis a certificate as to whether such discrepancy, after allowing for any prescribed limits of error in respect of any fertilizing ingredient, is materially to the prejudice of a purchaser.

6 (4) Where on analysis and comparison a discrepancy materially prejudicial to a purchaser is found in any sample, a copy of the Analyst's certificate shall be forwarded to the vendor of the fertilizer from which the sample was taken. In any other case the vendor may obtain a copy of the Analyst's certificate on paying the prescribed fee.

10 16. (1) The purchaser of any fertilizer otherwise than in bulk may, at any time within twenty days after delivery of the fertilizer, notify the Inspector in writing that he desires him to take a sample of such fertilizer.

Analysis on request of buyer. 1908, No. 62, s. 12

15 (2) On payment to him of such fee as is prescribed, the Inspector (or some person authorized by him in writing) shall attend at the place mentioned in the notice and take a sample of the fertilizer in the manner prescribed for taking samples, and shall deal with the sample in the manner directed in section *fourteen* hereof.

20 (3) Not less than four clear days' notice shall be given to the vendor by the Inspector of the time and place at which he intends to take such sample.

(4) The Inspector shall satisfy himself as far as possible that the packages containing the fertilizer are in a sound condition, that they have been properly stored, and that they have not been opened or tampered with in any way.

25 (5) The vendor or his agent shall be at liberty to attend at the time and place specified in such notice.

30 (6) The Analyst shall analyse the sample and give a certificate or certificates as mentioned in section *fifteen* hereof to the Inspector.

(7) If the result of the analysis shows that the fertilizer is not materially at variance with the invoice certificate the vendor shall be entitled to any reasonable expenses to which he may have been put in attending at the place at which the sample is taken, and may recover such expenses from the purchaser as a debt.

35 17. In any proceedings under this Act the production of a certificate in the prescribed form of the results of any analysis purporting to be signed by an Analyst shall be evidence that the fertilizer was submitted for analysis in accordance with this Act, and of the identity of the fertilizer analysed, and of the result of the analysis and of any other matter set out therein, without proof of the signature of the Analyst.

Certificate to be evidence of certain facts. Ibid., s. 13

40 18. (1) Where in any proceedings under this Act the vendor desires to dispute the accuracy of any analysis, or to cross-examine the Analyst, he shall give to the Inspector not less than five clear days' notice in writing of his desire, and thereupon the Inspector shall give the Analyst notice that his attendance is necessary at the hearing of the proceedings.

Analyst may be cross-examined. Ibid., s. 14

45 (2) If on such hearing it appears to the Court that the Analyst was called on frivolous or insufficient grounds the defendant shall be liable to pay the costs of the attendance of the Analyst.

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Independent
analysis.
1908, No. 62, s. 15

Requirements where
fertilizer imported
or purchased
on behalf of persons
and not for sale.

19. The Court may order that the part of the sample retained by the Inspector under section *fourteen* hereof be divided into two parts in the presence of the vendor or his agent, and that each of such parts be submitted to an independent analyst for report.

20. (1) Where any person or body or association of persons (whether incorporated or not) has imported or brought into New Zealand any fertilizer, whether for the use of such person or persons or as agent for others but not in any such case for sale or exchange, the following provisions shall apply:—

(a) Within fourteen days after receiving the fertilizer the person or body or association of persons importing it shall forward, without payment, to the Chemist a sample of the fertilizer not exceeding two pounds in weight, and shall forward to the Director-General a statement setting out with respect to the fertilizer the same particulars (other than those relating to name and brand) as are required by section *six* hereof to be contained in a deposited statement.

(b) On the distribution, consignment, or forwarding of any part of such fertilizer to any person for whom it was imported, the person or body or association of persons importing it shall forward to the person so receiving the fertilizer a statement setting out with respect to the fertilizer the same particulars (other than those relating to name and brand) as are required to be set out in an invoice certificate.

(2) Where any person or body or association of persons (whether incorporated or not) purchases any fertilizer in New Zealand as agent for others but not in any case for sale or exchange, such person or body or association of persons shall forward to every recipient of any portion of such fertilizer a copy of the invoice certificate supplied by the vendor of the fertilizer when the purchase was made.

Tampering with
sample.
Ibid., s. 16

21. Every person is liable to a fine of *fifty* pounds who—

(a) Knowingly and fraudulently tampers with any fertilizer so as to procure that a sample of it taken in pursuance of this Act is not a fair sample of the fertilizer:

(b) Improperly breaks the seal of or tampers with any part of a sample taken in pursuance of this Act.

False representation
as to fertilizer.
Ibid., s. 17

22. Every vendor is liable to a fine of *fifty* pounds who—

(a) Brands or permits any package of fertilizer to be branded with a registered brand the particulars deposited with which do not materially correspond with the particulars of the contents of the package, or sells any fertilizer in bulk under a registered brand the particulars deposited with which do not materially correspond with the particulars of the fertilizer:

(b) Causes or permits any package marked with any registered brand to be filled with fertilizer materially at variance with the particulars deposited with such brand without first effectually effacing such brand:

(c) On the sale of any fertilizer, gives an invoice certificate at variance with the true particulars of the fertilizer sold, if such variance is materially to the prejudice of the purchaser:

(d) Sells any fertilizer which, or any component of which, fails to conform to any standard of fineness of grinding prescribed for such fertilizer or component.

23. No person shall sell any substance under any title or description containing the word "fertilizer" used therein in such a way as to indicate the nature of the substance, unless such substance is a fertilizer within the meaning of this Act for which a brand may be registered thereunder.

Use of term "fertilizer" to describe substance for sale.

24. Every person who commits a breach of any of the provisions of this Act for which no penalty is elsewhere prescribed is liable for the first offence to a fine of *ten* pounds, and for every subsequent offence to a fine not exceeding *fifty* pounds and not less than *five* pounds.

General fines.
1908, No. 62, s. 18

25. In any proceedings brought against any person for failing to give the purchaser of any fertilizer an invoice certificate the burden of proof that upon such sale an invoice certificate was given by the vendor to the purchaser shall lie on the defendant.

Burden of proof.
Cf. Vic. 6 Geo. V.
No. 2652, s. 42

26. The Director-General may from time to time publish, in such manner as he thinks fit, the results of any analysis made under this Act, or the results of any experiments made with any fertilizer sold in New Zealand, and neither he nor the Government Printer, nor any person, shall be liable in any way in respect of such publication.

Publication of results of analysis and tests.
1908, No. 62, s. 19

27. Any vendor convicted of an offence against this Act for selling any fertilizer at variance with the particulars stated in the invoice certificate may, in any action brought by him against any other person for misrepresentation or for breach of warranty on the sale to him of the fertilizer in the first place, recover, alone or in addition to any other damages recoverable by him, the amount of the penalty paid by him on such conviction, together with the costs paid by him in and about his defence thereto, if he proves—

Remedy by a vendor against prior vendor.
Cf. Vic. 6 Geo. V,
No. 2652, s. 36

(a) That the fertilizer the subject of such conviction was sold to him by the defendant whose invoice certificate contained the like particulars to those contained in the invoice certificate given by him upon the sale in respect of which he was convicted ; and

(b) That he purchased such fertilizer not knowing it to be otherwise than as stated in the invoice certificate received by him, and sold it in the same state as he received it in :

Provided that it shall be open to the defendant in the action to prove that the conviction was wrongful.

28. (1) The Governor-General may from time to time, by Order in Council, make regulations—

Regulations.
1908, No. 62, s. 26

- (a) Governing the registration of brands :
- (b) Prescribing the forms required under this Act :
- (c) Prescribing the fees payable under this Act :
- (d) Prescribing methods of taking samples and of analysis and of experiments with fertilizers :
- (e) Prescribing limits of error allowable in setting out in deposited statements and invoice certificates the percentages of fertilizing ingredients present in fertilizers :

- (f) Prescribing the fertilizers or other substances in respect of which the fineness of grinding must be set out in deposited statements and invoice certificates :
- (g) Prescribing standards of fineness of grinding in respect of fertilizers or any components thereof : 5
- (h) Prescribing the strength or strengths of solutions of citric acid for the purpose of setting out in deposited statements and invoice certificates the citric solubility of phosphoric acid present in fertilizers :
- (i) Prescribing fines, not exceeding *ten* pounds, for a breach of any regulation : 10
- (j) For any other matters for which regulations are contemplated or required by this Act, or which he deems necessary for the efficient administration thereof.

(2) All such regulations shall be published in the *Gazette* and shall within ten days after publication be laid before Parliament if then sitting, and if not, then within ten days after the commencement of the next ensuing session. 15

Repeal and savings.

29. (1) The Fertilisers Act, 1908, is hereby repealed.

(2) All offices, appointments, regulations, Orders in Council, registers, instruments, and generally all acts of authority which originated under the Act hereby repealed and are subsisting or in force on the coming into operation of this Act shall enure for the purposes of this Act as fully and effectually as if they had originated under the corresponding provisions of this Act, and accordingly shall, where necessary, be deemed to have so originated. 25

(3) All matters and proceedings commenced under the Act hereby repealed and pending or in progress on the coming into operation of this Act may be continued, completed, and enforced under this Act.

SCHEDULE.

Schedule.

INVOICE CERTIFICATE UNDER THE FERTILIZERS ACT, 1927.

I [*Insert full name*], of [*Insert business address*], hereby certify that the fertilizer sold by me this day to [*Insert name of purchaser*] of [*Insert address of purchaser*], being a quantity of tons cwt: qr. lb., is known as [*Insert name of fertilizer*], of which the registered brand under which it is sold is [*Insert facsimile of registered brand*].

I also certify that such fertilizer contains the percentages of the following fertilizing ingredients set opposite each, and that each such fertilizing ingredient present occurs in the form set opposite it, viz. :—

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| Nitrogen, soluble, | per cent., as ^(a) | . |
| Nitrogen, insoluble, | per cent., as ^(b) | . |
| Phosphoric acid, soluble, | per cent., as ^(c) | . |
| Phosphoric acid, insoluble, | per cent., as ^(d) | . |
| Potash, soluble, | per cent., as ^(e) | . |
| *Phosphoric acid, citric soluble | per cent., | ; |

I also certify that such fertilizer contains as a filler or diluent [*Here state nature of filler or diluent*], and that the components of the fertilizer (being the forms in which the several fertilizing ingredients occur and the filler or diluent, if any) are present in the following proportions, viz.^(f) :

Of the above components I certify the fineness of grinding of the following as set out opposite each, viz. :

Dated this day of , 192 .

[*Signature of Vendor.*]

^(a) Here state whether as nitrate of soda, sulphate of ammonia, nitrate of lime, calcium cyanamide, or other water-soluble form, as the case may be.

^(b) Here state whether as dried blood, animal-flesh, bone, or other insoluble form, as the case may be.

^(c) Here state whether as superphosphate or other water soluble form, as the case may be.

^(d) Here state whether as basic slag, basic superphosphate, reverted phosphate, phosphate rock or phosphatic guano (of declared geographical origin—*e.g.*, Nauru, Malden Island, &c.), bonedust, or other insoluble form, as the case may be.

^(e) Here state whether as sulphate, chloride, nitrate, or other water soluble form, as the case may be.

^(f) Here state percentage by weight of different components—*e.g.*, dried blood, lime, &c.

* If set out in the deposited statement in respect of the fertilizer, the percentage of phosphoric acid insoluble in water but soluble in a solution of citric acid of prescribed strength may be stated at the option of the vendor.