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| То: | Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union |
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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 2003 relating to fertilisers¹, and in particular Article 31(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) A manufacturer of potassium formate water solution has submitted via the Swedish authorities a request to the Commission to include that substance as a new fertiliser type in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003. Potassium formate water solution has been developed to provide better absorption of potassium by the leaves of plants with a high need of this primary nutrient, such as fruits and vegetables.
- (2) Potassium formate water solution, as specified in Annex I to this Regulation, fulfils the requirements laid down in Article 14 of Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003. It should therefore be included in the list of types of EC fertilisers in Annex I to that Regulation.
- (3) Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee established by Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003.

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OJ L 304, 21.11.2003, p.1.

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2003/2003 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Commission The President Ursula von der Leyen