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**Dear Mr Tom Mabesa**

**RE: CANCELLATION OF PRODUCTS CONTAINING ENDOSULFAN WITH EFFECT FROM  
JANUARY 2012.**

The above matter refers.

## **1. BASIS FOR CANCELLATION**

The Conference of Parties to the Stockholm Convention in April 2011 approved the elimination of production and use of endosulfan and its isomers worldwide. South Africa as a Party to the Convention is obliged to ban the production and use of endosulfan and its isomers as it has been found to be persistent, bio-accumulative, moves long distances in the environment and has adverse toxicological effects.

## **2. INSTRUCTIONS FOR DEALING WITH CANCELLED ACTIVE CONSTITUENTS AND PRODUCTS**

The following instructions apply for persons/company having possession or custody of stocks, and are considering using or otherwise dealing with active constituent endosulfan and product containing endosulfan:

## **2.1 Supply**

Supply of the active constituent endosulfan and product containing endosulfan is permitted until January 2012.

## **2.2 Possession and custody**

Possession and custody of existing active constituent endosulfan and product containing endosulfan stocks is permitted until 30 April 2012.

## **2.3 Use**

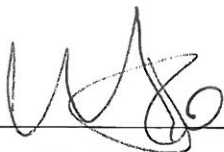
Use of constituent endosulfan and product containing endosulfan stocks in accordance with label instructions is permitted until 30 April 2012.

## **3. WARNING**

A person must not possess with the intent to supply, or use with any materials containing endosulfan, except in accordance with these instructions. A failure to comply with these instructions will result in an offence against the Fertilizers, Farm Feeds, Agricultural Remedies Act, 1947 (Act No. 36 of 1947) and the Registrar's of Act 36 of 1947 will take appropriate compliance action. It is an offence for any person to possess with the intent to supply, use or deal with product containing endosulfan after 30 April 2012 unless authorised to do so by the Registrar Act 36 of 1947.

Trusting the above is in order.

Yours faithfully



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**Mr. Jonathan Mudzunga**

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