NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** RWANDA  **If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:**  Rwanda Standards Board (RSB)  KK 15 Rd, 49  P.O.BOX 7099, Kigali, Rwanda  Tel: +250 788303492  Email: [info@rsb.gov.rw](mailto:info@rsb.gov.rw)  Website: [www.rsb.gov.rw](http://www.rsb.gov.rw)  **Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:** |
| **3.** | **Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:** |
| **4.** | **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):** Fertilizers (ICS code(s): 65.080) |
| **5.** | **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** DRS 582: 2024, Guidelines for the production of organic fertilizer and soils amendments from municipal solid wastes; (71 page(s), in English) |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** This Draft Rwanda Standard provides the guidelines for the production of organic fertilizers and organic soil amendments from municipal solid wastes in order to maintain the sustainability of agro-ecosystems land.  This document covers the production of organic fertilizer and organic soil amendments from municipal solid wastes using composting or vermicomposting technology. It focuses on the selection of raw materials, production processes, quality control and documentation to ensure consistency, sustainability and consumer trust.  It also covers the organizational and practical advice on the management of the human, technical and administrative factors affecting the quality of final product. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection; Protection of human health or safety; Protection of the environment; Quality requirements; Reducing trade barriers and facilitating trade; Cost saving and productivity enhancement |
| **8.** | **Relevant documents:**   1. RS 279, Organic fertilizers — Specification RS ISO 8157, Fertilizers and soil conditioners — Vocabulary 2. RS ISO 14820-1, Fertilizers and liming materials — Sampling and sample preparation — Part 1: Sampling 3. RS ISO 14820-2, Fertilizers and liming materials — Sampling and sample preparation Part 2: Sample preparation |
| **9.** | **Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined  **Proposed date of entry into force:** To be determined |
| **10.** | **Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification |
| **11.** | **Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**  Rwanda Standards Board (RSB)  KK 15 Rd, 49  Toll Free: 3250  Tel: +250 788303492  Email: [info@rsb.gov.rw](mailto:info@rsb.gov.rw)  Website: [www.rsb.gov.rw](http://www.rsb.gov.rw)  P.O.BOX 7099, Kigali, Rwanda  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/TBT/RWA/24_06744_00_e.pdf> |