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MEMO

DATE: January 12, 2017
TO: Fertilizer Canada Members
FROM: Giulia Brutesco, Senior Director, Industry Standards
SUBJECT: Planning for Spring: Changes to your Ammonia Nurse Tank Placard

CAAR and Fertilizer Canada strongly advise retailers to plan ahead to ensure compliance prior to May 31, 2017. Both 300 mm and the new 100 mm placards are available from your nurse tank manufacturer, from any registered testing facility or, online at caar.org/caar-mart.

The two year phase out period for equivalency certificates SH 6171 (Ren. 9) and SH 10006 (Ren. 5) ends on May 31, 2017. These certificates authorize the holder to display two placards, one on each long side of an agricultural ammonia nurse tank or field application unit, instead of four placards; one on each side of the tank. Beginning June 1, 2017, all nurse tanks and field application units will be required to comply fully with Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG) regulations Part 4: Dangerous Goods Safety Marks, and must display a placard on all four sides of the tank.

CAAR and Fertilizer Canada were pleased to successfully negotiate this extended phase out period on behalf of our members, and are working together to assist retailers with compliance. CAAR has confirmed through field testing that smaller placards of 100 mm will comply with the TDG Regulation requirements outlined in section 4.7(3), and can more easily be applied to the rounded end of a nurse tank. In the event of an accident, the addition of placards on the ends of a tank will increase safety signage visibility for first responders, which may be particularly valuable in the case of a rollover where signage on the long sides of a tank may be damaged or obscured.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Transport Canada's phase out of SH 6171 (Ren. 9) or SH 10006 (Ren. 5), please contact either Delaney Ross Burtnack or Giulia Brutesco at the contact information below.

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