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June 2, 1999


TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

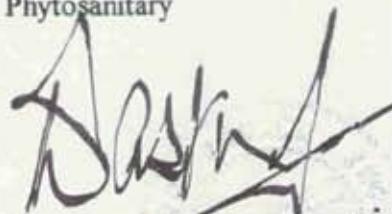
SUBJECT: SPILL-SORB CANADA INC., SPHAGNUM PEAT MOSS ABSORBENT

This is to advise that the above named company is in the business of heat treating organic sphagnum peat moss for use as an absorbent for oil and oil based chemical spills. It is not an agricultural product.

During manufacture the sphagnum peat moss is exposed to temperatures near 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit (1,093.3 degrees centigrade) at the onset of the drying process and thereafter to reducing temperatures down to a low of 325 degrees Fahrenheit (162.7 degrees centigrade) for an adequate time so as to reduce the moisture content of the sphagnum peat moss from +/-70% down to the 8 to 10% range. The hydrophilic nature of the sphagnum therefore changes to becoming hydrophobic and relegates what is now an absorbent into the industrial product category. This negates the necessity for our Department to supply the usual Phytosanitary Certificate for exports of same.

Sincerely,

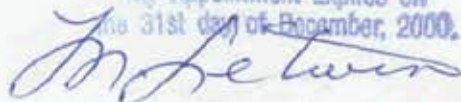

A.G. (Gordon) Schenk
Inspector
Canadian Food Inspection Agency


PETER D.T. EASTWICK

Dated at Edmonton on the 2nd day of June 1999

MARK LETWIN
SWORN TO ME and for
the Province of Alberta.
My Appointment Expires on
the 31st day of December, 2000.

This 2nd day of June 1999



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