

Inspection Report Inputs

Gecko Fert

Rock Phosphate Fertilizer (EC & NOP) and
Chicken Manure EcoPellets (NOP only)

South Africa

8 October 2020

After inspection and as a complement of the deviations notified by the inspector, you'll find below the results of this report that you may read as follows:

- **IMPROVEMENT ACTIONS REQUESTED (Attestation granted)** : they don't prevent the attestation of your product but they have to be taken into consideration. We ask you to keep us informed about their implementation within a deadline of 3 months from the reception of this letter.

- **ATTESTATION PENDING** : some deviations prevent the attestation of your products. You are requested to return the information needed within the specified delays or in 60 days.

- **DECLASSIFICATION**: it is notified when a serious infraction occurs with the impossibility of marketing your products with the Ecocert reference.

INSPECTION REPORT

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Inspection date(s)	07 October 2020
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Country	South Africa
Responsible operator	Braam Burger
On site address	
Country	
Representative person	Braam Burger

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On behalf of Ecocert SA	Date and Place	Signature of the representative of
Henrico HARRIS	07/10/2020, Paarl	Braam Burger

The listed products are proposed for attestation according to the standards specified in the table below :

Products	Category	Standard(s) of attestation
Langfos Phosphate	Fertilizer	EU + NOP
Eco Pellets	Fertilizer	NOP

2. SHORT PROJECT PRESENTATION AND CONCLUSION OF THE INSPECTOR

1. Short presentation of the project and of the inspection conditions

(summarize the important points)

Gecko Fert mines the only organic attested phosphate in South Africa. Sedimentation from cold mineral rich fish waters along the West Coast has formed these shallow deposits which became further enriched by fossil marine and terrestrial animals. The mined product is transported to VDM, also just outside Saldanha, who crushes and mills the product, removing non-phosphate materials. The milled product is stored on site, and bagged into 50kg, 500kg and 1000kg sealed bags on demand. VDM also handles transport if required. The operating conditions at Gecko Fert have not changed since the last inspection. Eco Pellets are manufactured by subcontractor Waldschmidt Eggs (already attested under NOP) and distributed from the site in Wellington, where Langfos is also stored. The admin office is situated in Paarl.

2. Explanatory notes to the inspection report and of its attachments

None

3. Overall evaluation of the operation

3.1. Strong points

The product is completely natural, no other ingredients. The process is simple with little risk of contamination. All machinery is solely used for the processing of this product. The mining has little impact on the environment and exposed soil is immediately rehabilitated after the extraction of the phosphorus. Batch samples are taken in case of non-conformity.

3.2. Weak points

None

4. Completeness of the inspection, conditions of the inspection and recommendations for further / next year inspections

Inspection complete at the mine site (Langebaan), processing site (Saldanha), storage depot (Wellington) and administrative office Paarl).

CONCLUSION FOLLOWING THE INPUT VERIFICATION
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Inspection date	07/10/2020	Signature Inspector :
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Responsible person	Braam Burger	
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These conclusions are established on the basis of the information available during the inspection, and are not necessarily identical with the result of the decision-making process of attestation. Only the attestation of conformity issued by Ecocert shall be regarded as a reliable document.

1. PRODUCTS

Product #	Commercial Name	Category	Evaluation result for each product according to			
1	<i>Eco Pellets</i>	Fertilizer		NOP restricted 205.601		
2	<i>Langfos Phosphate</i>	Fertilizer	EU 889/2008 allowed Annex I	NOP allowed 205.601		

2. CORRECTIVE ACTIONS NEEDED

Ref.	Weak point	Inspector's description	Level	Improvement actions
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