## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## Application for derogation for the restricted use of agricultural remedies identified as substances of concern

This notice is to inform the public of administrative action being taken in relation to the approval of agricultural remedies under the Fertilizer, Farm Feeds, Agricultural Remedies and Stock Remedies Act (Act no. 36 of 1947).

**2022 Environmental Science ZA (Pty) Ltd.** (Reg. No. 2022/228577/07) hereby informs the public of its intention to submit an application for derogation for the registered agricultural remedy **Maxforce® Ant and Cockroach Bait Granules, L5658** containing **Hydramethylnon at 10 g/kg**, identified as a substance of concern due to its classification as a reproductive toxin category 1B according to the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals; for the following use in South Africa: It is a granular bait insecticide used for the control of ants (including brown house ant and black sugar ant) and cockroach outdoors around domestic premises and buildings, on lawns, turfgrass and other areas such as parks and golf courses.

As per the requirements of the "Regulations relating to agricultural remedies" of August 2023, a risk assessment was conducted for the proposed end uses and the public is hereby invited to review the risk assessment report and submit comments in relation to the proposed application. This report can be accessed online via the following website: <u>Derogation Documents</u> or in hard copy at the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (20 Steve Biko Street, Agriculture Building, Arcadia, Pretoria, 0002) during office hours (08:00 to 16:00 on Mondays to Fridays, excluding public holidays). Interested parties must submit comments or objections in connection with the proposed application in writing to:

Mr. Maluta Mudzunga The Registrar: Fertilizer, Farm Feeds, Agricultural Remedies and Stock Remedies, 1947 (Act no. 36 of 1947) Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development Private Bag X343, Pretoria, 0001 30 Hamilton Street, Harvest House Building, Office 417, Arcadia, Pretoria, 0002 Tel no: 012 319 6530 Email to <u>MalutaM@dalrrd.gov.za</u>

Interested parties must submit comments or objections in relation to this application within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Comments received after this date need not be considered.