INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF IMPORTERS AND MANUFACTURERS OF BIODEGRADABLE AND/ OR COMPOSTABLE POLYMERS AND PRODUCTS

Application for Registration

- 1. All importers of biodegradable and/or compostable polymers and products and manufacturers of biodegradable and/or compostable polymer products have to register with the Central Environmental Authority as per the attached Registration Form.
- 2. All importers of biodegradable and compostable polymers and products and manufacturers of biodegradable and/or compostable polymer products have to comply with the standards for biodegradable and compostable plastic which have been gazette by Sri Lanka Standard Institute and any other acceptable standards to the Sri Lanka Standard Institute.

Requirements for importers of biodegradable and/or compostable Polymers and products and manufacturers of manufacturers of biodegradable and/or Compostable polymer products

- 1. The importers of biodegradable and/or compostable polymers and products and manufacturers of biodegradable and/or compostable polymer products should be capable of supporting their claims through conformance with a certification, labeling program or be willing to provide information indicating that their products meet recognized standards or be willing to demonstrate through field testing that their products will meet the expectations of the Central Environmental Authority and the Sri Lanka Standard Institute.
- 2. The importers of biodegradable or compostable polymers and products and manufacturers of biodegradable and/or compostable polymer products have to ensure strict compliance with the Standards specified by the Sri Lanka Standards Institute.
- 3. All importers and manufacturers should submit Certificates obtained from internationally recognized certification body (Please attach copies).
- 4. All importers and manufacturers should submit the original test reports or true copy of the original test reports obtained from an accredited laboratory recognized by the Central Environmental Authority and the Sri Lanka Standard Institute if they possess.
- 5. The particulars with respect to biodegradable and/or compostable polymers and products should be conspicuously displayed with following details only by the importers:-
 - (a) The Registration number given by the Central Environmental Authority;

- (b) Necessary Particulars to be displayed on the bags or packaging of polymers and products.
- (b) The name and contact address of the importer;
- (c) The country of origin;
- (d) The batch number and production date;
- (e) The standard complied with.
- 6. The manufacturers should inform the Central Environmental Authority the expected date of manufacture of the products and the expected date of putting the products for sale.

7. Processing Fee for the Registration

An amount of Rs.10,000.00 is to be paid as the processing fee for the registration and the payment should be done at the Cashier Counter of the CEA and the copy of the receipt should be submitted along with the duly filled application to the Waste management Unit of the CEA for the processing of your request

Contact details of the Central Environmental Authority

All applicants are requested to forward their duly filled Registration Forms for biodegradable and compostable polymers and products by:

1. Email: saroji@cea.lk and Lgnishantha@cea.lk

2. Fax: 0112882152

- 3. Registered post to the Solid Waste Management Unit, Central Environmental Authority, No 104, Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla, Sri Lanka.
- 4. Hand delivery to the Solid Waste Management Unit, Central Environmental Authority, No 104, Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Battaramulla, Sri Lanka