

21 August 2002

PLANT BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2002/37

REVIEW OF IMPORT CONDITIONS FOR LENTIL SEED FOR SOWING AND HUMAN CONSUMPTION

This Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (PBPM) advises stakeholders of the outcomes of the meeting held with key industry groups concerning a review of the import conditions of lentils (Lens spp) for both human consumption and seed for sowing.

In our Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (PBPM) 2002/33 of 30 July 2002, we advised that representatives from Biosecurity Australia and the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service would meet with lentil industry groups in Canberra on 7 August 2002 to discuss the proposed new import conditions for lentils for both human consumption and seed for sowing. The purpose of this PBPM is to inform you of the outcomes of the meeting. Accordingly, the outcomes of the stakeholder meeting are at Attachment 1.

Any stakeholder who has any concerns or comments can contact Dr Vani Srungaram on 6271 6369 or to the email address below.

Stakeholders are advised that, subject to the Freedom of Information Act 1982 and the *Privacy Act* 1988, all submissions received in response to Plant Biosecurity Policy Memoranda will be publicly available and may be listed or referred to in any papers or reports prepared on the subject matter of the memoranda.

The Commonwealth reserves the right to reveal the identity of a respondent unless a request for anonymity accompanies the submission. Where a request for anonymity does not accompany the submission the respondent will be taken to have consented to the disclosure of his or her identity for the purposes of Information Privacy Principle 11 of the Privacy Act 1988.

The contents of the submission will not be treated as confidential unless they are marked 'confidential' and they are capable of being classified as such in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

Bill Magee A/g General Manager Plant Biosecurity

> Contact: Technical and Administrative Services

Tel: (02) 6272 5094 Fax: (02) 6272 3307 Email:

plantbiosec@affa.gov.au



Edmund Barton Building Barton ACT GPO Box 858 Canberra ACT 2601 ph +61 2 6272 3933 fax +61 2 6272 5161 www.affa.gov.au

ABN 24 113 085 695