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PLANT BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2004/11

**CONIFEROUS TIMBER FROM CANADA, THE USA AND NEW ZEALAND — PEST
CATEGORISATION TABLES**

This Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (PBPM) is to notify stakeholders of the release of the draft pest categorisation tables for coniferous timber from Canada, the USA and New Zealand.

The import risk analysis (IRA) for coniferous timber from the above countries was initiated in 1999. An IRA issues paper was released in February 2001. At this time, issues papers did not include pest categorisation tables. Biosecurity Australia has now completed the pest categorisation tables for coniferous timber from Canada, the USA and New Zealand. These are available from the [departmental website](#).

Comments on the pest categorisation tables should be received by Technical and Administrative Services by 4 June 2004 at the following address:

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Consultation

If you wish to suggest inclusion of an additional stakeholder in our distribution list, or if you wish to be removed from the distribution list, please provide details to Technical and Administrative Services.

Information on all IRAs and policy reviews being conducted by Plant Biosecurity is available on the Internet at www.daff.gov.au/plantbiosecurity.

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