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PLANT BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2004/16

REVISED DRAFT IMPORT RISK ANALYSIS REPORT FOR APPLES FROM NEW ZEALAND – INFORMATION SESSIONS

This Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (PBPM) provides advice of new arrangements for the stakeholder meetings to discuss the *Revised Draft Import Risk Analysis Report for the Importation of Apples from New Zealand* at Shepparton and Donnybrook.

PBPM 2004/15 of 30 April 2004 advised stakeholders that Biosecurity Australia, in consultation with Apple and Pear Australia Limited, will hold a series of information sessions on the *Revised Draft Import Risk Analysis Report for the Importation of Apples from New Zealand* in the major apple growing areas throughout Australia.

In response to requests from key local apple industry representatives, please note that the time and venue for the Shepparton meeting has been changed as follows:

Tuesday 11 May, 6.00pm- 9.00pm Emerald Bank Woolshed Tel: (03) 5823 2910 Emerald Bank, Goulburn Valley SHEPPARTON VICTORIA

The Emerald Bank Woolshed lies south from Shepparton along the Goulburn Valley Highway (Wyndam Street), drive 200 metres past Shepparton airport, turn right at Emerald Bank (at the Dutch Windmill) and follow the road to the right. The Woolshed is on the left hand side of the road.

The venue for Donnybrook has also changed. The new arrangements for the Donnybrook meeting are as follows:

Wednesday 19 May, 6.00pm- 9.00pm Donnybrook Memorial Hall Tel: (08) 9780 4200 Bentley Street DONNYBROOK WA

All other session details remain as previously advised. The session details for Batlow, NSW, will be advised to stakeholders once arrangements have been finalised in consultation with the relevant regional apple grower representatives.

Light refreshments (finger food, coffee and tea) will be made available at the commencement of each session.

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Please contact Technical and Administrative Services of Plant Biosecurity, if you require more information about the proposed sessions.

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Confidentiality

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 1982*.

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.

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