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BIOSECURITY AUSTRALIA POLICY MEMORANDUM 2006/23 DETERMINATION OF THE POLICY FOR THE IMPORTATION OF STONE

FRUIT FROM NEW ZEALAND INTO WESTERN AUSTRALIA

This Biosecurity Australia Policy Memorandum informs stakeholders of the policy determination for the importation of stone fruit from New Zealand into Western Australia.

In response to an import access request from New Zealand, Biosecurity Australia has conducted a pest risk analysis to determine whether stone fruit could be imported safely from New Zealand into Western Australia.

The Final Report for the Pest Risk Analysis for Stone Fruit from New Zealand into Western Australia has now been completed.

In accordance with advice to stakeholders provided on 9 August 2005, Biosecurity Australia considered this market access request as a review of biosecurity policy, and made a recommendation to the Director of Animal and Plant Quarantine that stone fruit from New Zealand into Western Australia should be permitted entry under specific quarantine conditions.

The Director of Animal and Plant Quarantine has subsequently determined a variation to biosecurity policy to permit the entry of stone fruit from New Zealand into Western Australia.

The full report is available from the Biosecurity Australia website at www.biosecurityaustralia.gov.au under 'current topics' or copies can be requested from Technical and Administrative Services 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 Import Risk Analyses and policy reviews being conducted by Plant Biosecurity is available on the Internet at www.biosecurityaustralia.gov.au.

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