

11 May 2017

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Trade and Market Access Division
Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Resources

Copy:

David Heinrich, Acting Assistant Secretary Plant Biosecurity David.Heinrich@agriculture.gov.au

Dear James

Ref: Indian SPS Notice re Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Third Amendment) Order, 2017.

1. About Grain Trade Australia

Grain Trade Australia (GTA) is the focal point for the commercial grains industry within Australia. It facilitates trade and works to provide an efficient, equitable and open trading environment by providing leadership, advocacy and commercial services to the Australian grain value chain.

GTA members are responsible for over 95% of all grain storage and freight movements made each year in Australia. Over 95% of the grain contracts executed in Australia each year refer to GTA grain standards and/or trade rules. GTA members are drawn from all sectors of the grain value chain from production to domestic end users and exporters. GTA members are involved in grain trading activities, grain storage, grain for human consumption and stock feed milling.

A list of all members is attached.

Within this context, GTA provides comment on the abovementioned SPS notice from India for wheat (as attached).

2. Seed for sowing

In relation to the following:

“3. Amendment of Schedule V- In the Schedule V to the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 against serial number 16 relating to *Triticum* spp. (Wheat) in column (3) against the entry (i), Seed for sowing”.

GTA members do not supply wheat for sowing to India and GTA has no comment on this matter.

3. Seeds for Consumption

In relation to the following:

“4. Amendment of Schedule VI- In the Schedule VI to the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003- (i) Against serial no.310, relating to *Triticum* spp. (Wheat) in column (3) against the entry (i) Grains for consumption for processing thereof and the entries relating thereto in columns (4), (5) and (6), the following item and entries shall respectively be inserted.”

3.1 Ergot

In relation to the proposal, being:

Freedom from:

d) *Claviceps purpurea* (ergot)

As you may be aware, GTA was contacted in early 2017 by Dr Mahmood Nasir Plant Biosecurity, seeking comment on the nil tolerance for ergot in India's regulations. GTA via a Working Group provided a response to the submission proposed to be sent by the Australian government to the Indian government.

That response highlighted our significant concerns with the proposal indicating the nil tolerance for ergot was not considered warranted under quarantine regulations. In addition, the Department were made aware that a nil tolerance for ergot has significant negative impacts on the ability of the Australian grain trade to supply wheat to India from certain regions of the cropping belt.

While GTA did not see the final version of that submission, our views were accepted in the submission and we are lead to believe the submission was sent to the Indian government via the Australian government.

Prior to that submission, in late 2016 the Egyptian government also reviewed their ergot tolerance and industry again advised the Australian government of our concerns with their proposal for a nil tolerance for ergot. The Egyptian government eventually acceded to trade requirements and reverted to the internationally accepted and applied 0.05% tolerance by weight of ergot.

GTA members have not altered their views from those previously provided and we seek further Australian government intervention on this issue of ergot in wheat to India. To re-iterate, while industry currently complies with this requirement, GTA members do not agree with a nil tolerance as it is not technically justified from a quarantine perspective and it leads to significant trade disruptions. We urge you to provide Australian government comments reflecting both industry and governments opposition to this nil tolerance.

3.2 Fumigation

Mandatory fumigation requirements currently apply and are also considered in this SPS Notice as follows:

“Fumigation by Methyl Bromide at 32 g per cubic meter for 24 hrs at 21°C or equivalent thereof. The treatment shall be endorsed on Phytosanitary Certificate issued at the country of origin/re-export.”

The Australian grain industry currently complies with this requirement for pre-shipment fumigation. We support the option for methyl bromide fumigation as listed continuing for wheat shipments from Australia. We also seek an option to be included by India for the use of alternative fumigants, being those registered in Australia and with appropriate registrations and MRLs internationally (i.e., Codex and India).

3.3 Other Pathogens

In relation to other pathogens we note the requirement for freedom from *Erwinia rhapontici* (rhubarb crown rot), *Pseudomonas atrofaciens* (spike rot) and *Pseudomonas fuscovaginae* (sheath brown rot”).

All three are present in Australia and therefore pose a risk to trade. All three do not meet the accepted international definition of a quarantine pest because they are not of 'potential economic significance'. They are weak pathogens of wheat and control measures are generally not necessary. Again, the Australian government have already provided a submission to India arguing this point. We request this again be re-iterated in the Australian government response to this SPS notice.

GTA has no concerns with the other proposed changes.

For your information GTA has been liaising with other international grain industry associations who also share our concerns on several of these matters and are seeking to provide submissions on these issues through various industry and government sources.

Thank you for your consideration of this response.



Pat O'Shannassy
Chief Executive Officer
Grain Trade Australia

Membership List as at 28 March 2017

Organisation	Contact	Website /Phone
Ordinary Member (Trading)		
Level A1 (over 7 Million Tonnes)		
Co-operative Bulk Handling Limited	Mr Jason Craig	cbh.com.au
Glencore Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Philip Hughes	glencoregrain.com.au
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Level A2 (5 - 7 Million Tonnes)		
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Level A3 (3 - 5 Million Tonnes)		
ADM Trading Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Tim Henry	adm.com
Cargill Australia Limited	Ms Penne Kehl	cargill.com.au
Graincorp Operations Ltd	Mr Klaus Pamminger	graincorp.com.au
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Level A4 (1.5 - 3 Million Tonnes)		
Emerald Grain Pty Limited	Mr David Johnson	emeraldgrain.com
Nidera Australia Pty Ltd	Mr David Lengren	nidera.com.au
		2
Level B1 (1.0 - 1.5 Million Tonnes)		
Bunge Agribusiness Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Chris Aucote	bunge.com/Agribusiness
Louis Dreyfus Company Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Robert Green	louisdreyfus.com.au
		2
Level B2 (500,000 - 1 Million Tonnes)		
Agrex Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Richard Glasson	agrexaustralia.com.au
Broadbent CHS Pty Ltd	Mr Justin Fay	broadbentgrain.com.au
Cofco Agri Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Josh Taylor	au.cofcoagrigrain.com
George Weston Foods Limited	Mr Mark O'Brien	gwf.com.au
Plum Grove Pty Ltd	Mr Tony Smith	plumgrove.com.au
Ridley Agriproducts Pty Ltd	Mr Michael Reeves	agriproducts.com.au
Riverina (Australia) Pty Ltd	Mr Jon Mulally	riverina.com.au
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Level B3 (250,000 - 500,000 Tonnes)		
Agracom Pty Ltd	Mr Joe Hallman	agracom.com.au
AGRIGRAIN	Mr Jeremy Brown	agrigrain.com
Arrow Commodities Pty Ltd	Mr Dominic Vanzella	arrowcom.com.au
Australian Grain Export Pty Ltd	Mr John Thiele	08 8832 2800
Centre State Exports Pty Ltd	Mr Jeff Voigt	centrestateexports.com.au
Chinatex Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Jiling Lai	02 9957 2688
Lempriere Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Jonathan Holdsworth	lemprieregrain.com.au
Riordan Grain Services	Mr Bradley Hogan	riordangrains.com.au
Robinson Grain Trading Co Pty Ltd	Mr Gary Robinson	robinsongrain.com.au
Special One Grain Accumulator	Ms Jaimee Carrigan	specialonegrain.com.au
United World Enterprises Pty Ltd	Mr Jimmy Liu	wuotypical.com
Wilmar Gavilon Pty Ltd	Mr Matt Albion	07 3713 8700

Ordinary Member (Trading) (contd)

Level C (under 250,000 Tonnes)

A & B Grains Pty Ltd	Mr Chris Wolski	abgrains.com.au
A T Waterfield & Son Pty Ltd	Mr Brad Waterfield	03 5382 3725
A W Vater and Co	Mr Kim Vater	vater.com.au
Adams Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Ian Mack	adamsaustralia.com.au
Agmark Commodities	Mr Richard Alcorn	agmark.com.au
Agri Om Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Kishore Bulchandani	agriom.com.au
Agri-Oz Exports Pty Ltd	Mr Francois Darcas	03 9830 7021
Agriex Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Joseph Khnessier	02 9232 0690
Agrifoods Australia	Mr Rob Anderson	agrifoodsaustralia.com.au
Agromin Australia Pty Limited	Mr Rajni Patel	agromin.com.au
AGT Foods Australia	Mr Peter Wilson	agtfoods.com/australia
Allied Mills	Mr Simon Gelling	alliedmills.com.au
AMPS Agribusiness Group	Mr Simon McDougall	ampsagribusiness.com.au
Associated Grain	Mr Todd Jorgensen	07 4662 1999
Auscott Ltd	Mr Peter Webb	auscott.com.au
AusiCan Commodities	Mr Palwinder Singh	ausican.com
Australian Choice Exports Pty Ltd	Mr James Hunt	australianchoiceexports.com.au
Australian Grain Growers Co-operative Limited	Mr Bruce McDonald	aggcoop.com.au
Australian Grain Storage	Mr Matt Bailey	sunrice.com.au
Australian Growers Direct Pty Ltd	Mr Tom Lucas	ausgrowersdirect.com.au
Australian Mungbean Company Pty Ltd	Mr Damien White	australianmungbean.com.au
Avigrain Produce	Mr Dennis Ward	avigrain.com.au
Baker Grain	Mr Richard Baker	bakergrain.com.au
Berriwillock Grain Storage Co-Operative Ltd	Mr Tony Bellinger	moulameingrain.com
BFB Pty Ltd	Mr Terry Brabin	fbf.com.au
Blairs Produce Company	Mr Sean Blair	02 6025 4600
Blue Ribbon Seed and Pulse Exporters	Mr Stephen Donnelly	07 3363 8400
Boort Grain Co-Operative	Mr Tony Bellinger	03 5455 2600
Broun and Co Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Wal Broun	brounandco.com.au
Bungulla Farming Pty Ltd	Mr Brad Jones	08 9637 1164
C & S Trading Pty Ltd	Mr Craig Scholz	scholzbh.com.au
C K Tremlett Pty Ltd	Mr Andrew Tremlett	08 8524 9050
Cameron Pastoral Company Pty Ltd	Mr Ross Stephens	07 4671 4144
Castlegate James Australasia Pty Ltd	Mr Dominic Hogan	castlegatejames.com.au
Cleveland Agriculture	Mr Chris Hurwood	02 6756 5004
Coorow Seeds	Mr Brian Pover	coorowseeds.com.au
COPRICE	Ms Kirsty Cutter	coprice.com.au
Cremer Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Scott Haughton	cremer.com.au
DA Hall and Co	Mr Bruce Holden	07 4695 5777
Dalby Bio-Refining Limited		dbrl.com.au
Dalgrains (Qld) Pty Ltd	Mr Tobin Cherry	dalgrains.com
Darwalla Milling Co Pty Ltd	Mr Gary Heidenreich	07 3822 0527
Deacon Seeds Company	Mr Terry Deacon	07 4662 3217
Deckert Group Pty Ltd	Mr Chris Deckert	deckerts.com.au
Defiance Maize Products Pty Ltd	Mr Rodney Walker	corson.co.nz
Demeter Cormack Pty Ltd	Mr David Oates	08 6389 0098
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ED & F Man Grains Australia	Mr Jon Bucknall	edfman.com
East Coast Stockfeed Pty Ltd	Mr Stuart Dolden	ecsf.com.au
Elders Grain	Mr Matthew Tolmachoff	elders.com.au
Export Trading Group Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Shayne Clark	etgworld.com
Feed Central Pty Ltd	Mr Tim Ford	feedcentral.com.au
Fellows Nominees	Mr Paul Fellows	fellowsbulk.com.au
FertInvest Pty Ltd	Mr Michael Jones	fertinvest.com
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Level C (under 250,000 Tonnes) cont.

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FREE Eyre Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Mark Rodda	free-eyre.com.au
Golden Harvest Grain Exports	Mr Chandru Hiremath	goldenharvest.net.au
Grain Direct Australia	Mr Lyndon Benecke	graindirect.com.au
Grain Link (NSW) Pty Ltd	Mr Paul Pearsall	02 6962 9500
Grain Link WA Pty Ltd	Mr Andrew Goyder	grainlink.com.au
Grainforce Pty Ltd	Mr Derek Larnach	02 6331 4880
Grainpro Pty Limited	Ms Angela Bonfante	grainpro.com.au
GrainTrend Pty Ltd	Mr Sanjiv Dubey	graintrend.com
Greentree Farming	Mr David Brown	02 6751 1228
GV Grain & Fodder	Ms Joanne Harry	03 5828 3063
Hanlon Enterprises Grain	Mr Peter Gerhardy	02 6924 1781
Harberger's Farm Supplies (Trading) Pty Ltd	Mr Reece Harberger	harberger.com.au
Hassad Australia Operations Company Pty Ltd	Mr James Carson	02 8019 7150
Iloura Resources Pty Ltd	Mr Hans Hol	iloura-resources.com
Independent Grain Handlers Pty Ltd	Mr Brad Bryant	igh.net.au
Irwin Stockfeeds	Mr Bryan Irwin	irwinstockfeeds.com.au
Itochu Australia Ltd	Mr Justin Swan	www.itochu.com.au
J K International Pty Ltd	Mr Sandeep Mohan	jki.com.au
J W Koek & Company	Mr Brian Algate	07 3341 4548
James Stock Feed and Fertilizer Pty Ltd	Mr Adrian Moule	jamesstockfeed.com.au
Jerilderie Grain Storage & Handling	Mr David Barlow	03 5886 0344
KB Agri Services Pty Ltd	Mr Karl Bliss	07 4634 4320
K M & W M Kelly & Sons	Mr Matt Kelly	kellygrains.com.au
Kangaroo Island Pure Grain Pty Ltd	Ms Emma Tonkin	kipuregrain.com
Kennett Rural Services Pty Ltd	Mr Andrew Kennett	kennetrural.com.au
Lachlan Commodities Pty Ltd	Mr Tony Cogswell	02 6851 2077
Laharum Bulk Handling Co	Mr Donald Carter	03 5381 2666
Lake Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Derek Davis	lakegrain.com.au
Lane Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Garry Lane	02 6887 3309
Laragon Almond Processors Pty Ltd	Mr Mark Webber	laragon.com.au
Laucke Flour Mills P/L	Mr Roger Laubsch	laucke.com.au
Lawson Grains Pty Ltd	Mr Angus Blair	lawsongrains.com
LDC Enterprises Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Richard Porter	07 3253 5999
LPC Trading Pty Ltd	Mr Simon Langfield	02 6383 7222
Malteurop Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Jack King	03 5277 1950
Matthews Transport and Grain Traders	Mr Neville Matthews	08 9831 1021
Max Grains Pty Ltd	Mr Jack Fahy	maxgrains.com.au
MC Croker Pty Limited	Mr Greg Carroll	crokergrain.com.au
MCS Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Brett Duczmal	02 131 627
McNaughts Grain & Fertilizer Pty Ltd	Mr Daniel McNaught	mчнаughts.com
Melaluka Trading Pty Ltd	Mr Simon Pritchard	melalukatrading.com.au
Mellco Pty Ltd	Mr Steve Mellington	0419 867 971
Moulamein Grain Co-Operative Ltd	Mr Tony Bellinger	moulameingrain.com
Mountain Industries Pty Ltd	Mr Bill Law	mountainindustries.com.au
Moxey Farms Pty Limited	Mr Peter Philipzen	0407 103 158
MSM Milling Pty Ltd	Mr Peter MacSmith	02 6364 5999
Murrumbidgee Grains Pty Ltd	Mr Peter Hassall	02 6937 9100
Namoi Cotton Co-Operative	Mr Shane McGregor	namoicotton.com.au
Nandaly Grain Co-Operative Ltd	Mr Tony Bellinger	03 5078 1217
Network Grains Pty Ltd	Mr Craig Dennis	07 4637 8500
Newcastle Agri Terminal Pty Ltd	Mr Jock Carter	02 4962 4006
Northern Riverina Grains Pty Ltd	Mr Tony Bellinger	03 5032 2553
OOMA Enterprises NSW Pty Limited	Mr Malcolm Berry	oomaenterprises.com.au
Origin Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Peter Brick	03 5720 8500
PB Seeds Pty Ltd	Mr Peter Blair	pbseeds.com.au

Level C (under 250,000 Tonnes) cont.

PeaCo	Mr Shane Wall	03 5497 1766
Pearson's Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Darren Pearson	pearsonsgroup.com.au
Peters Commodities Pty Ltd	Mr Michael Oxley	petcom.com.au
Phoenix Global Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Jogesh Virk	phoenixcommodities.com.au
Premium Grain Handlers P/L	Mr John Orr	pgh.com.au
Preston Grain	Mr Andrew Kell	02 6977 1733
Pulse Association of the South East (PASE) Inc	Ms Leanne Burr	08 9071 3655
Quadra Commodities Pty Ltd	Mr Richard Black	quadra.com
Quattro Ports	Mr Dene Ladmore	quattroports.com.au
Quirindi Grain & Produce	Mr John Webster	02 6746 1911
Reid Stockfeeds Pty Ltd	Mr Ian Reid	reidstockfeeds.com.au
Rivalea (Australia) Pty Ltd - Animal Nutrition	Mr Andrew Philpotts	rivalea.com.au
Riverina Oils & BioEnergy Pty Ltd	Mr Lachlan Herbert	riverinaoils.com
Roty Grain Store	Mr Brian Newman	02 6988 8221
Ruddenklau Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Tim Ruddenklau	08 8842 1314
Rural Logic (Aust) Pty Ltd	Mr Michael Wood	rurallogic.com.au
SANWA Pty Ltd	Mr Charles Emerson	sanwa.com.au
Seedhouse Tasmania	Mr Matthew Crane	seedhouse.com.au
Shannon Bros Bulk Haulage	Mr Clayton Shannon	03 5390 2264
Silo Bag Grain (NSW QLD) Pty Ltd	Ms Lesley Kilby	02 6847 1788
Societa Cofica Pty Ltd	Mr Dia Ram Sharma	societacofica.com.au
Southern Ark Storage Pty Ltd	Mr Simon Pritchard	arkstorage.com.au
Southern Cotton Trading Pty Ltd	Mr Chris Veness	02 69 552 779
Southern Cross Agricultural Exports P/L	Ms Alicia Dunbar	southerncrossag.com.au
Southern Grain Storage Pty Ltd	Mr Campbell Brumby	03 5267 2351
Southern Stockfeeds (Operations) Pty Ltd	Mr David Jemmet	03 5437 8295
Spagrimon Australia Pty Limited	Mr Jiger Kotecha	spagrimon.com.au
Standard Commodities Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Michael Betar	stancom.com.au
Sumitomo Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Tsuyoshi Osumi	sumitomocorp.com.au
Summer Hill Grains	Mr Barney Hughes	0428 694 363
SunPork Farms Feed Mills	Mr Bjorn Ludvigsen	08 8532 4434
Tasmanian Agricultural Producers Pty Ltd	Mr David Skipper	tasagproducers.com.au
TSS Grain	Mr Trevor Macleod	tasstockfeed.com.au
Thallon Grains Pty Ltd	Mr Andrew Earle	02 6756 5004
Twynam Pastoral Company	Ms Lesley Heidtman	twynam.com
Unigrain Pty Ltd	Mr Ervin Leong	unigrain.com.au
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W B Hunter Pty Ltd	Mr Stewart Coombes	03 5821 5744
Ward McKenzie Pty Ltd	Mr Geoff Hammon	mckenziefoods.com.au
WHG Oceania Pty Ltd	Gesheng Shen	02 8040 3030
Whyalla Beef Pty Ltd	Mr Gino De Stefani	whyallabeef.com.au
Wilken Grain	Mr Richard Wilken	wilkens.com.au
Wimpak Pty Ltd	Ms Jo Cameron	wimpak.com.au
WW Agri Pty Ltd	Mr Steve Sloss	wwagri.com.au
XLD Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Lachie Stevens	xldgrain.com.au
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Transport Operator

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Hamilton Contracting (NSW) Pty Ltd	Ms Jodie Hamilton	hamiltoncontracting.com.au
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Broker

Large

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Medium

Fox Commodities	Mr Paul Cochrane	foxcommodities.com.au
Grain Brokers Australia	Mr Jeff Winspear	grainbrokers.com.au
Horizon Grain Brokers Pty Ltd	Mr Ash Munro	horizongb.com.au
Igrain.com.au Pty Ltd	Mr Tom Roberts	igrain.com.au
INTL FCStone Pty Ltd	Mr Brett Cooper	intlfcstone.com
McDonald Pelz Australia	Mr Peter Geary	mcdonaldpelz.com
Perkins Commodity Brokers	Mr Craig Perkins	03 9645 6846
Teague Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Tim Teague	teague.com.au

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Sole Operator

A C Grain	Mr Adam Clarke	0400 065 763
ACCB Australia	Mr Andy Cunliffe	0455 105 300
AgLink - CMS	Mr Justen Schofield	aglinkcms.com.au
Allied Grain Pty Ltd	Mr Angus Wettenhall	alliedgrain.com.au
Cereal Milling Services Pty Ltd	Mr Michael Moss	02 4323 9339
Cogeser (Australia) Pty Ltd	Mr Robert Luetolf	cogeser.com.au
Farm Tender	Mr Matt Henke	farmtender.com.au
Knight Commodities	Mr Chris Groat	07 4671 5221
Link Brokering	Mr Dion Costigan	linkbrokering.com.au
Mallon Commodity Brokering	Mr Ian Mallon	mcbrokering.com
Quest Commodities Pty Ltd	Ms Jayne Barker	questcommodities.com.au
Shearwater International Pty Ltd	Mr Don Cattanach	07 3324 9088

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Corporate

Large

ASX Limited	Mr Kristen Hopkins	asx.com.au/grainfutures
Australia And New Zealand Banking Group	Mr Ian Hanrahan	anz.com.au
Australian Grain Technologies Pty Ltd	Mr Haydn Kuchel	agtbreeding.com.au
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Mr Tom Barraket	commbank.com.au
Symbio Laboratories	Ms Elizabeth Owens	symbiolabs.com.au

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AgriFood Technology Pty Ltd	Ms Doreen Fernandez	03 9742 0589
Agrisk Management Pty Ltd	Mr Brett Stevenson	02 9499 4199
Australian Superintendence Company	Mr Andrew Parry	07 3391 8640
Commodity Inspection Services (Australia) Pty Ltd	Mr Mathew Conoulty	commodityinspection.com.au
Foss Pacific Pty Ltd	Mr Simon Kirkman	foss.com.au
Holding Redlich	Mr Geoff Farnsworth	holdingredlich.com
Holman Fenwick Willan	Mr Stephen Thompson	hfw.com
Intertek	Mr Lee Shilcock	intertek.com
Merricks Capital Pty Limited	Mr Adam Davis	merrickscapital.com
NZX Australia (ACF, PFA)	Mr Ron Storey	nzx.com
SBA Law	Mr Jeremy Rosenthal	sbalaw.com
SGS Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Scot Paterson	au.sgs.com

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Small

Advance Trading Australasia	Mr Andrew Woodhouse	advance-trading.com.au
Ag Scientia Pty Ltd	Mr Lloyd George	03 9598 1980

Corporate - Small (cont)

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CloudBreak Grain Marketing Pty Ltd	Mr Ed Scamps	08 8388 8084
Basis Commodities Pty Ltd	Mr Chris Whitwell	basiscommodities.com.au
Delta Agribusiness Pty Ltd	Mr Michael Parry	02 6772 0000
Direct Commodities Pty Ltd	Mr Hamish Robertson	directcommodities.com.au
EP Integrated Commodities Pty Ltd	Ms Tracey Lehmann	08 8627 2304
Farmanco Marketing Pty Ltd	Mr Donald McTaggart	farmanco.com.au
FarMarCo Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Robert Imray	07 4637 6400
Finesse Solutions Pty Limited	Mr Malcolm Finlayson	02 9872 9270
Flexi Grain	Mr Jarrod Tonkin	flexigrain.com.au
Goldstar Commodities	Mr Geoff Webb	goldstarcommodities.com.au
Grainx	Mr Chris Hood	grainx.com.au
HarvestCheck Pty Ltd	Mr Stephen Schumacher	0418 199535
Hay Plains Grain Storage Pty Ltd	Mr Ron Harris	0404 444 600
IKON Commodities Pty Ltd	Mr Simon Clancy	ikoncommodities.com.au
MarketAg Pty Ltd	Mr Mark Martin	02 6747 1590
McMullen Consulting Pty Ltd	Mr Gerard McMullen	03 8300 0108
Mirfak P/L	Mr Mark Murphy	mirfak.com.au
Murray Goulburn Trading Pty Ltd	Mr Gerard Murphy	03 5862 2799
OMIC Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Yasuhide Okumura	omicaustralia.com.au
Perten Instruments Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Raul Ovelar	02 9870 3400
Pinnacle Commodities Pty Ltd	Mr Rod Buckle	pinnaclecommodities.com.au
Planfarm Marketing Pty Ltd	Mr Jerome Critch	planfarm.com.au
Primal Foods Group	Mr Peter Longhurst	02 8011 4182
Rural Directions Pty Ltd	Mr Chris Heinjus	ruraldirections.com
SGA Solutions Pty Ltd	Mr David Hudson	03 5428 4990
TE Storage & Logistics Pty Ltd	Mr Tom Hage	08 8762 2188
Ten Tigers	Mr Chris Tonkin	tentigers.com.au

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International Affiliate

CIS - Commodity Inspection Services	Mr Paul Schweitzer	cis-inspections.com
CCIC Australia Pty Ltd	Mr Isherwood Feng	02 9580 3212

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Industry Association

Grain Growers Limited	D. McKeon/M. Southan	graingrowers.com.au
Grain Industry Association of WA	Ms Larissa Taylor	giwa.org.au
Grain Producers Australia Ltd	Mr Andrew Weidemann	grainproducers.com.au
NSW Farmers Association	Mr Robert Hardie	02 8251 1827
Victorian Farmers Federation	Mr Stephen Sheridan	03 9207 5555

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Merchant Association

Grain Industry Association of SA	Ms Rebecca Freeman	0414 844 425
Grain Industry Association Of Victoria	Mr Colin Peace	giav.com.au
Grain NSW Inc	Ms Joanne Ware	grainnsw.com.au
Queensland Agricultural Merchants Inc.	Mr John Francis	qam.org.au

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Life Members

Mr Mervyn May	Retired	Awarded 1998
Mr Christopher Kelly	K M & W M Kelly & Sons	Awarded July 2015
Mr Geoff Honey (<i>Posthumously awarded</i>)	Former GTA CEO	Awarded July 2016

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original

NOTIFICATION

1.	Member of Agreement notifying : INDIA
2.	Agency responsible : DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION & FARMERS WELFARE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national scheduled deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition where applicable): Plants and Plant materials and other regulated articles as per Plant Quarantine (Regulation of import into India) Order, 2003 and its Amendments.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Listed trading partner countries, exporting Plants and Plant materials to India.
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Title – Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Third Amendment) Order, 2017. Language – English Number of pages – 5
6.	Description of content : The Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Third Amendment), Order, 2017 seeks to further liberalize provisions governing import of one item each under Schedule IV and V, five items under Schedule VI and one item under schedule VII of the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003. This notification will further allow import of plants and plant materials into India. The details can be seen in the website www.agricoop.nic.in (Circulars and Notifications – Plant Protection – WTO Notifications – Draft Plant Quarantine(Regulation of Import into India) (Third Amendment) Order, 2017 or can be obtained from the National Enquiry Point – Sh. Ashwani Kumar, Joint Secretary, Plant Protection, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Room No. 238, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tele : 91-11-23385931. E-mail : jspp-dac@gov.in

<p>7. Objective and rationale : [] food safety, [] animal health, [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] plant protection [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] protect humans from animal/ plant pest or disease. [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] protect territory from other damage from pests.</p>
<p>8. International standard, guideline or recommendation: [] Codex Alimentarius Commission, [] Office International des Epizooties [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] International standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations.</p> <p>The contents of this notification are based on Pest Risk Analysis(PRA) conducted as per International Standards on Phytosanitary Measures (ISPM) Numbers 2 and 11 of International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) of sFAO.</p>
<p>9. Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: ENGLISH</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption: This draft notification is to adopted on 15th May, 2017</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force : 31st May, 2017 (Tentative)</p>
<p>12. Final date of comments : 15th May, 2017</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments : Sh. Ashwani Kumar, Joint Secretary, Plant Protection, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Room No. 238, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tele : 91-11-23385931. E-mail : jspp-dac@gov.in</p> <p>National Enquiry Point – Sh. Aswani Kumar, Joint Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Room No. 233, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tele/Fax : 91-11-23389714.E-mail : jspp-dac@gov.in</p>
<p>13. Text available from :</p> <p>Website of the Plant Protection Division of the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India viz. www.agricoop.nic.in and www.plantquarantineindia.org And National Enquiry Point – Sh. Aswani Kumar, Joint Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Room No. 233, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110011, INDIA. Tele/Fax : 91-11-23389714.E-mail : jspp-dac@gov.in</p>

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE
(DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION & FARMERS WELFARE)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the February, 2017

S.O. (E). - In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Destructive Insects and Pests Act, 1914 (2 of 1914), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order further to amend the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003, namely:-

1. Short title and Commencement.- (1) This Order may be called the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Third Amendment) Order, 2017.
(2) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.
2. Amendment of Schedule IV.- In the Schedule IV to the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 after serial number 14 the following entries shall respectively be inserted, namely:

S.No.	Plant species/ variety	Category of plant material	Prohibited from the countries	Justification of Prohibition
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
15.	<i>Triticum spp.</i> (Wheat)	(i) Seeds/grains	Latin American countries and Bangladesh	Due to incidence of destructive <i>Magnaporthe oryzae sub.sp.triticum</i> (Wheat blast).

3. Amendment of Schedule V.- In the Schedule V to the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 against serial number 16 relating to relating to *Triticum spp.*(Wheat) in column (3) against the entry (i) 'Seed for sowing' and entries relating thereto the following entries in columns (4),(5) and (6) shall respectively be inserted, namely:

Additional declarations required to be incorporated into phytosanitary certificate	Special conditions of import	Responsibility of authorized Institutions.
(4)	(5)	(6)
Freedom from: a) <i>Ephestia elutella</i> (Chocolate moth) b) <i>Sitophilus granaries</i> (granary weevil) c) <i>Trogoderma variable</i> (grain dermestid)	Post-entry quarantine for one growth season.	a) Approval of Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry

d) <i>Claviceps purpurea</i> (ergot) e) <i>Erwinia rhapontici</i> (rhubarb crown rot) f) <i>Magnaporthe oryzae</i> sub.sp. <i>triticum</i> (wheat blast) g) <i>Pseudomonas atrofaciens</i> (Spike rot) h) <i>Pseudomonas fuscovaginae</i> (Sheath brown rot) i) <i>Tilletia controversa</i> (dwarf bunt of wheat) j) Quarantine weed seeds listed under Schedule VIII of this order k) Soil contamination		of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare as per provisions of New Policy on Seed Development (NPSD), 1988. b) Subject to the recommendation, supervision, monitoring and testing by Director, NBPGR, New Delhi/ Director, Directorate of Wheat Research, Karnal.
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4. Amendment of Schedule VI.- In the Schedule VI to the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003-

(i) Against serial no.310, relating to *Triticum spp.*(Wheat) in column (3) against the entry (i) 'Grains for consumption for processing' thereof and the entries relating thereto in columns (4), (5) and (6), the following item and entries shall respectively be inserted namely:-

Country of origin	Additional declarations required to be incorporated into Phytosanitary Certificate	Special conditions of import
(4)	(5)	(6)
Any country (Except Latin American countries and Bangladesh)	Freedom from: a) <i>Ephestia elutella</i> (Chocolate moth) b) <i>Sitophilus granaries</i> (granary weevil) c) <i>Trogoderma variable</i> (grain dermestid) d) <i>Claviceps purpurea</i> (ergot) e) <i>Erwinia rhapontici</i> (rhubarb crown rot) f) <i>Magnaporthe oryzae</i> sub.sp. <i>triticum</i> (wheat blast) g) <i>Pseudomonas atrofaciens</i> (Spike rot) h) <i>Pseudomonas fuscovaginae</i> (Sheath brown rot) i) <i>Tilletia controversa</i> (dwarf bunt of wheat) j) Quarantine weed seeds listed under Schedule VIII of this order k) Soil contamination	Fumigation by Methyl Bromide at 32 g per cubic meter for 24 hrs at 21°C or equivalent thereof. The treatment shall be endorsed on Phytosanitary Certificate issued at the country of origin/re-export.

(ii) Against Serial number 262, in Column (2) against the entry (i) relating to Pome fruits, in Column (3) against entry (iii) regarding fresh fruits for consumption, in Column (4) against the item (xviii) relating to **Brazil** the existing entries in Columns (6) shall respectively be substituted by the following, namely:-

Special conditions of import
(6)
Pre-shipment/ in transit cold treatment at zero degree Celsius for 40 days
The treatment should be endorsed on Phytosanitary Certificate issued at the country of origin/re-export.

Against Serial number 262, in Column (2) against the entry (i) relating to Pome fruits, in Column (3) against entry (iii) regarding fresh fruits for consumption, in Column (4) against the item (xii) relating to **Poland** the existing entries in Columns (5) and (6) shall respectively be substituted by the following, namely:-

Additional declarations required to be incorporated into Phytosanitary Certificate	Special conditions of import
(5)	(6)
Freedom from: a) Adoxophyes orana (summer fruit tortrix) b) Archips podana (great brown twist moth) c) Aspidiotus nerii (aucuba scale) d) Epidiaspis leperii (European pear scale) e) Erwinia amylovora (fire blight) f) Frankliniella occidentalis (western flower thrips) g) Orthosia cerasi (common quaker) h) Peridroma saucia (pearly underwing moth)	Fumigation by Methyl Bromide at 32 g per cubic meter for 2 hrs at 21°C or equivalent thereof. Or Pre-shipment cold treatment at 0°C or below for 10 days; 0.55°C or below for 11 days; 1.1°C or below for 12 days plus in-transit refrigeration. The treatment shall be endorsed on Phytosanitary Certificate issued at the country of origin/re-export.

(iii) Against serial no.714, relating to *Arundo donax* (Giant reed) in column (4) the entry shall be re-numbered as item (i) thereof and after item (i) as so re-numbered and the entries relating thereto, the entries relating thereto in columns (4), (5) and (6), the following item and entries shall respectively be inserted namely:-

Country of origin	Additional declarations required to be incorporated into Phytosanitary certificate	Special conditions of import
(4)	(5)	(6)
(ii) Honduras	a. Certified that the tissue – cultured plants are obtained from mother-stock indexed or tested and maintained free from any virus.	Nil.

	b. Plant tissue or plantlet shall be kept under aseptic or sterile condition in flasks or other suitable container on synthetic media.	
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(iv) Against serial number 777 relating to *Fagus sylvatica* (European Beech) in column (3) the existing entries shall be substituted by the following, namely:-

Category of plant material
(3)
“Timber with/without bark.”

(v) Against serial number 778, relating to Mushrooms in column (2) after the entry (iii) in column (3) and entries relating thereto the following entries in columns (3),(4),(5) and (6) shall respectively be inserted, namely:

Category of plant material	Country of origin	Additional declarations required to be incorporated into Phytosanitary certificate	Special conditions of import
(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
(iv) Mushroom spawn for propagation	i) Netherlands ii) USA iii) France iv) China v) Italy vi) Belgium vii) South Korea viii) Thailand	Free from: Soil, insects, diseases, weed seeds and contamination of other plant material.	i. The substrate (prior to inoculation) shall be subjected to steam heat (autoclave) at 121 degree C for 30 minutes at 15 <i>psi</i> . ii The above mentioned treatment and the name of the substrate shall be endorsed in Phytosanitary Certificate issued at the country of Origin/ re-export.

5. Amendment of Schedule VII.- In the Schedule VII to the Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003:

(i) Against the existing serial numbers 297 and the entries relating thereto, respectively, the following entries shall be replaced namely:-

“297. *Linum spp.* – Flax fibres/ Flax Carded Sliver/ Flax Hackled Sliver for consumption/processing.

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(Ashwani Kumar)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

Note : The Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) Order, 2003 was published in the Gazette of India, vide, number S.O. 1322 (E) dated 18th November, 2003, and subsequently amended vide number S.O.167(E), dated 6th February 2004, S.O. 427(E), dated 29th March, 2004, S.O. 644(E), dated 31st May 2004, S.O. 263(E), dated 25th February 2005, S.O. 462 (E), dated 31st March 2005, S.O. 1121 (E), dated 14th July 2006, S.O. 1353 (E), dated 31st July 2006, S.O. 1873 (E), dated 31st October 2006, S.O. 2074 (E), dated 6th December 2006, S.O. 2069 (E), dated 3rd December, 2007, S.O. 3(E), dated 1st January, 2008, S.O. 2847 (E), dated 8th December, 2008, S.O. 2888 (E), dated 15th December, 2008, S.O. 2286 (E), dated 9th September, 2009, S.O. 2390 (E), dated 16th September, 2009, S.O. 3269 (E), dated 23rd December, 2009, S.O. 3298 (E), dated 24th December, 2009, S.O. 907 (E), dated 21st April, 2010, S.O. 2095(E), dated 27th August, 2010, S.O. 2284 (E), dated 15th September, 2010, S.O. 2516 (E), dated 11th October, 2010, S.O. 2711 (E) dated 4th November, 2010, S.O. 3052(E) dated 28th December, 2010, S.O. 887 (E) dated 28th April, 2011, S.O. No. 2845 (E) dated 21st December, 2011, S.O. No.296 (E) dated 17th February, 2012 and S.O. 2775(E) 23rd November, 2012 S.O.799(E) dated 21st March, 2013, S.O.1378(E) dated 28th May, 2013, S.O.1531(E) dated 14th June, 2013, S.O.2919(E) dated 26th September, 2013, S.O.1508(E) dated 13th June, 2014 and S.O. No.1632(E) dated 27th June, 2014, S.O. No.2320(E) dated 12th September, 2014,S.O. No.2542(E) dated 29th September, 2014, S.O. No.2879(E) dated 11th November, 2014, S.O. No.3114(E) dated 10th December, 2014, S.O. No. 1413(E) dated 26th May, 2015, S.O. No. 2496(E) dated 15th September, 2015, S.O. No. 101(E) dated 13th January, 2016, S.O. No. 608(E) dated 7th March, 2016 S.O. No.1873(E) dated 25th May, 2016, S.O. No.2192(E) dated 20th June, 2016, S.O. No. 2248(E) dated 29th June, 2016, S.O. No.2453(E) dated 5th July, 2016, S.O. No. 2614(E) dated 5th August, 2016, S.O. No. 264(E) dated 12th January, 2017 and S.O. No. 364(E) dated 3rd February, 2017.

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