

TOPIC: NWPGP 2016 Agreed Conference Outcomes & 2016/17 Chemical Outturn Tolerances DISTRIBUTION: GTA Members – primary contact list. Please circulate to all appropriate internal parties.

1. NWPGP 2016 Agreed Conference Outcomes

Outcomes from the 2016 National Working Party on Grain Protection (NWPGP) Australian Grain Storage & Protection Conference held in Melbourne 23-24 June 2016 has been posted on the GTA website http://www.graintrade.org.au/sites/default/files/files/2016%20NWPGP%20Outcomes%20of%20Meeting%20Final.pdf

The agreed outcomes, major discussion points and findings are listed numerically in no order of priority. There were around 120 attendees, representing all sectors of the grain supply chain. To provide comments on this or any NWPGP related matters please email GTA at admin@graintrade.org.au

2. Post Harvest Chemical Usage, Recommendations and Outturn Tolerances 2016/17

The Australian Grain Industry Post Harvest Chemical Usage, Recommendations and Outturn Tolerances 2016/17 is also now available on the GTA website http://www.graintrade.org.au/nwpgp

The document outlines permitted chemicals for use post-harvest and applicable Maximum Residue Limits (MRL) for grain out-turned to the Australian domestic or export markets. The MRLs apply for grain out-turned during the 2016/17 season. Industry is encouraged to familiarise themselves with this document to ensure Australian grain continues to comply with market requirements for chemical residues.

3. Background & Amendments

The Chemical Usage Recommendations and Outturn Tolerances document should be referred to when marketing Australian grain to assist industry in adhering to the Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs).

The Australian Grain Industry Post Harvest Chemical Usage Recommendations and Outturn Tolerances document is referred to in a number of GTA publications. Members are advised this is the latest version and supersedes all prior versions.

The following changes have been made based on the outcome of discussions held at the 2016 NWPGP Australian Grain Storage & Protection Conference held in Melbourne 23-24 June 2016. The changes include:

- a) The definition and wording of "Section 4 Industry Outturn Target of (½) 50% the Australian MRL" has been altered to clarify that this applies to the MRL of all existing contact insecticides except Dichlorvos on cereal grains (as the new APVMA MRL for Dichlorvos is 0.01mg/kg).
- b) A definition under Codex of a CXL has been added.
- c) Various wheat MRLs for India and Thailand have been added, being those adopted from Codex.
- d) Additions to the wheat, barley and other cereal grains MRL list for Taiwan.
- e) Updated the new Australian MRL for dichlorvos in a range of commodities.
- f) Updated various Australian pulse and oilseed MRLs.
- g) Clarified the wording for China in relation to acceptance of Codex MRLs.
- h) Updated the MRL list for Other Cereals for China and Indonesia.
- i) Additions to the wheat, barley and other cereal grains list for South Korea.
- j) Additions to the pulse MRL list for China and the EU.
- k) Additions to the EU MRL list for the EU.
- I) Revised wording for Spinosad based on recent registration changes in Australia.

4. 2017 NWPGP Australian Grain Storage & Protection Conference

The date and venue for the 2016 Conference will be June 2017 – dates to be confirmed. More information will be circulated early in the New Year. If you have an urgent enquiry, please contact the GTA Office via admin@graintrade.or.ag

5. NWPGP Strategic Working Group (SWG)

The full list of SWG Members can be viewed on the website http://www.graintrade.org.au/nwpgp