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Animal Fibre: Scoured and Dried New Zealand/Australian origin

**CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of New Zealand/Australian origin animal fibre, scoured and dried prior to export to People's Republic of China**

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Lou Gallagher, Senior Advisor, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following directions for the importation of scoured New Zealand/Australian origin animal fibre from People's Republic of China to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the applicable import health standard for the Importation into New Zealand of scoured New Zealand/Australian origin animal fibre from People's Republic of China FIBWOIC.PRC:

Items 10.2 (aqueous scouring at 60°C to 70°C) and 10.3 (dried at a minimum temperature of 70°C for at least 2 minutes) of the Zoosanitary Certificate from the People's Republic of China are not required provided that the consignment is accompanied by a New Zealand Manufacturer's Declaration stating that the fibre was subjected to aqueous scouring at 60°C to 70°C and dried at a minimum temperature of 70°C for at least 2 minutes, prior to export from New Zealand to China where the wool was further manufactured.

Aqueous scouring at 60°C to 70°C and drying at a minimum temperature of 70°C for at least 2 minutes effectively manages Biosecurity risk whether it is conducted in New Zealand or overseas. Certainty that these processes have been conducted can be provided in a Manufacturer's Declaration dated prior to export from New Zealand to overseas location for further processing. There is no need to repeat these processes in the overseas country.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and continues in effect until amended or revoked.

Signed at Wellington this seventh day of January, 2014