A CTO may give direction, under section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993, that measures, different from those set out in the IHS, may be applied to effectively manage the risks set out in the IHS. The MPI inspector may then give biosecurity clearance to the goods in accordance with section 27(1)(d).

DECISION

That a permit to import may be issued that details equivalent phytosanitary requirements for Hordeum,

Triticum and Avena seed for sowing from

The permit to import will be issued to specify that agar plate laboratory testing will occur prior to export which is equivalent to the requirement to field inspect and declare Pest Free Place of Production for Hordeum, Triticum and Avena in the IHS 155.02.05 which effectively manages the risks identified in the IHS. The testing will be used to support

endorsement of an additional declaration on the phytosanitary certificate.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that you accept the proposal described below.

1. That a permit to import is issued to specify that agar plate laboratory testing for Xanthomonas campestris pv. Undulosa and Pseudomonas syringae pv. Striafaciens will occur prior to export which is equivalent to the requirement to field inspect and declare Pest Free Place of Production in the IHS 155.02.05 to effectively manage the risks identified in the IHS.



2. The CTO approved equivalent measures will be identified in the Special Conditions section of the permit to import in the following manner:

EQUIVALENCE (MPI reference number: CTO - 20130008)

Equivalence is granted to so import Hordeum, Triticum and Avena seed for sowing under equivalent phytosanitary measures. The goods imported under this permit to import must be laboratory tested for Xanthomonas campestris pv. Undulosa and Pseudomonas syringae pv. Striafaciens which will occur prior to export.



Acting Team Manager, Plant and Forestry Team, acting pursuant to delegated Chief Technical Officer Authority

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