CTO Direction to MPI Inspector

CTO direction code for recording in Quantum: CTOPlants 20180019: Pre-export equivalence assessment for *Dicofol*

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, , give the following directions for consignments of all nursery stock (whole plants and cuttings) hosts of *T. kanzawai* under the IHS: 155.02.06 *Importation of Nursery Stock* schedule to be given biosecurity clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those required by the additional declarations stating that " the plants have been dipped prior to export in dicofol at the rate of 0.7g a.i. per litre of water" in the IHS: 155.02.06 *Importation of Nursery Stock*:

that a dip (or sprayed until dripping, including the underside of leaves) in Spiromesifen at the maximum label rate is equivalent to the requirement for plants to be dipped prior to export in *Dicofol* at the rate of 0.7g a.i. per litre of water. This treatment may be completed on arrival in New Zealand.

All other relevant sections of the IHS: Importation of Nursery Stock 155.02.06 for whole plants and cuttings must be complied with.

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: 20180019: Pre-export equivalence assessment for Dicofol)

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and may be applied to all nursery stock (whole plants and cuttings) of hosts of *T. kanzawai* which are not able to meet current measures required by the IHS.

Treatment with *Spiromesifen* is considered equivalent to the requirement for plants to be dipped prior to export in *Dicofol* at the rate of 0.7g a.i. per litre of water. This treatment may be completed on arrival in New Zealand.

This CTO decision is a generic decision which may be used by other importers of nursery stock (whole plants and cuttings) hosts of *T. kanzawai*. This equivalence will be revoked after the 'Review of chemical treatments to manage regulated plant mites on whole plants and cuttings' has been consulted on and incorporated into the 155.02.06 Importation of Nursery stock standard.

Manager Plant Imports

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