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ANIMAL QUARANTINE POLICY MEMORANDUM 2000/25

IMPORT RISK ANALYSIS: IMPORTATION OF NON-VIABLE FRESHWATER FINFISH

CONFIRMATION OF ROUTINE APPROACH

This Animal Quarantine Policy Memorandum (AQPM) confirms the routine approach to the import risk analysis (IRA) of non-viable freshwater finfish.

AQPM 2000/08 sought stakeholder comment on AQIS's proposal to take a routine approach to the import risk analysis (IRA) of non-viable freshwater finfish. AQIS received responses from three stakeholders, of which two supported the proposed pathway; the third did not comment on approach. The Executive Director of AQIS then confirmed the routine approach.

The next step is to release a draft report for public comment. This should occur in September 2000.

Confidentiality

Respondents are advised that, subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* and the *Privacy Act 1982*, all submissions received in response to Animal Quarantine Policy Memoranda will be publicly available and may be listed or referred to in any papers or reports prepared on the subject matter of the Memoranda.

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