

Direction & Minute of the Decision-making Committee

Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996 (“HSNO Act”)

Application APP202804; to import EDN (Ethanedinitrile), a fumigant for use on timber/logs under commercial conditions

WGT017: Direction & Minute of the Decision-making Committee – 18 January 2022

Background

1. On 25 November 2021, the hearing for EDN was reconvened and parties presented to the Decision-making Committee (DMC). The hearing was adjourned at the end of the day for the DMC to consider further the information received on the application.
2. On 2 December 2021, as part of Direction and Minute 16, the DMC directed any party to the application wishing to provide legal submissions in response to the EPA’s legal advice (being the advice provided to the DMC on 18 November 2021 and EPA’s written response to STIMBR’s legal submissions dated 20 December 2021) and/or STIMBR’s legal submission (dated 6 December 2021) to do so by 5pm Monday, 17 January 2022.
3. Three parties provided responses to Direction and Minute 16 prior to 5pm Monday, 17 January 2022.
4. On 17 January 2022, the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) requested a 24 hour extension to the deadline, to 5pm Tuesday 18 January.
5. The DMC will consider the legal submissions before issuing a further Direction & Minute.

Directions

6. The DMC agrees to provide MPI with a 24 hour extension to provide a legal submission. The DMC directs MPI to provide their submission by 5pm, Tuesday 18 January 2022.
7. The DMC directs that all responses provided by the parties be posted on the EPA website by 5pm on Wednesday, 19 January 2022.
8. The DMC directs this Direction and Minute be made available on the EPA website.

For the Decision-making Committee:



Dr John Taylor

Date: 18 January 2022

Chairperson