

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

WGT018: Direction & Minute of the Decision-making Committee – 1 March 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. Since the adjournment of the hearing, the DMC has considered the additional information provided to it in response to Direction and Minute 16.

Hearing closure

3. The DMC has reviewed all of the information which it has before it in respect of the application to import EDN (APP202804).
4. The DMC considers that it now has sufficient information available to it in order to make a decision on the application. The DMC considers that further information is not required from any party.
5. Therefore, the DMC considers that the hearing for the EDN application can now be formally closed.
6. As the hearing is closed, no further information is to be submitted to the DMC and no additional information will be considered by the DMC when making a decision on the application.
7. In accordance with section 59(2) of the HSNO Act, the EPA will publicly notify the decision on the application within 30 working days of the closure of the hearing.
8. The DMC wishes to thank all parties to the process for their contributions.

Directions

9. The DMC directs that the hearing for the EDN application is closed as of 1 March 2022.

10. The DMC directs that no further information is to be submitted to the DMC for consideration on the EDN application.
11. The DMC will continue to issue Directions and Minutes as necessary to advise parties to the process of further communications or procedural matters.

For the Decision-making Committee:



Dr John Taylor

Date: 1 March 2022

Chairperson