

IN THE MATTER of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996 (“HSNO Act”)

AND

IN THE MATTER of the Decision-Making Committee with delegated responsibility for powers and functions related to the hearing and deciding of applications under the HSNO Act

THE DECISION-MAKING John Taylor (Chair)

COMMITTEE Ngaire Phillips

Kerry Laing

DATE 14 September 2018

DIRECTIONS AND MINUTES OF THE DECISION-MAKING COMMITTEE

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

1. The DMC has directed that expert conferencing take place to resolve or narrow technical issues on which there is currently disagreement. These technical issues are associated with the air concentration dispersion modelling and the setting of the tolerable exposure limit.
2. This is a comparable process to that undertaken by the Environment Court, and participating experts are expected to comply with the Code of Conduct, set out in the Environment Court Practice Note.
3. On 14 September 2018 the DMC considered all nominated experts and decided that the following experts were the most appropriate (in terms of qualifications and experience) to take part in the expert conferencing
 - (a) air concentration dispersion modelling;
 - Dennis Hlinka
 - Dr Bruce Graham
 - (b) tolerable exposure limits;
 - Dr Adam Jonas
 - Dr James Deyo
4. Information about the times and locations of the expert conferencing sessions will be made available shortly.
5. Any enquiries should be directed to gayle.holmes@epa.govt.nz.