

# DIRECTION & MINUTE OF THE DECISION- MAKING COMMITTEE

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

### Application APP203660: modified reassessment of methyl bromide

## Direction & Minute WGT037 of the Decision-making Committee (DMC) – 10 June 2021

### Background

1. The hearing for the modified reassessment of methyl bromide was held between 11 and 17 August 2020, in which the DMC heard from the applicant, Environmental Protection Authority (EPA), submitters, and the associated witnesses nominated by those parties.
2. On 17 August 2020, the DMC adjourned the hearing to consider all of the evidence before it, including the information provided at the hearing. The DMC has subsequently requested further information as it considers the reassessment.
3. In their pre-hearing and hearing evidence, WorkSafe New Zealand (“WorkSafe”) presented an interim draft monitoring and modelling report prepared on their behalf by Pattle Delamore Partners Limited (PDP). The final PDP report is now available.
4. Please note that the DMC Chair was not available to comment on this Direction and Minute for personal reasons. This Direction and Minute is issued by the quorum of two DMC members.

### New modelling

5. The DMC acknowledge that they have received a request from WorkSafe for the DMC to receive the final PDP report on WorkSafe’s monitoring and modelling programme.
6. The DMC consider that this report may have information pertinent to their deliberations on this reassessment application, and direct the EPA to provide the WorkSafe/PDP report to the DMC.
7. In order for this report to be available to all parties to the reassessment, the DMC direct the EPA to make the report available on the EPA website.
8. The DMC acknowledges that other parties to the reassessment may wish to provide comment on the WorkSafe/PDP report. Those parties are directed to provide any comments within 10 working days of the information being available.

## Directions

9. The DMC directs the following.
  - a. The EPA is to provide the WorkSafe/PDP report to the DMC as soon as reasonably practicable.
  - b. The EPA is to make the WorkSafe/PDP report available on their website **within one working day** (that is, by 5pm on 11 June 2021).
  - c. Parties to the reassessment, including the applicant, are to provide their comments **within 10 working days** of the information being available (that is, by 5pm on 25 June 2021).
10. 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:



Environmental  
Protection Authority  
Te Mana Rauhi Taiao

10 June 2021

**Ngaire Phillips**  
**DMC Member**

**Date**



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**Derek Belton**  
**DMC Member**

**Date**