

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 WGT038 of the Decision-making Committee (DMC) – 21 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.

Change of DMC composition

3. Tipene Wilson, the Chair of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Committee and Chair of the DMC for the modified reassessment of methyl bromide, is no longer available to carry out his role as a member of the DMC due to personal reasons.
4. In order for the decision making process on the reassessment to continue Andrea Byrom, the Acting Chair of the HSNO Committee, proposed that the members of the DMC be updated as follows:
 - Dr Ngaire Phillips (Chair)
 - Dr Derek Belton.
5. The HSNO Committee provided a quorum of positive responses, with no objections, to the proposal. Therefore, the appointment of the updated DMC has been confirmed.
6. 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

Dr Ngaire Phillips
Chair

21 June 2021

Date