

**Stakeholder responses to draft revised conditions for crocodile meat from Papua New Guinea (ABPM 2002/27)**

<b>Respondent</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Amendments</b>
Dr Frank Doughty AQIL Consultancy	Supports proposed conditions.	No action required.
Ms Jane Parlett Biologicals Unit, AQIS	Suggests removing anticipated port of entry from point 1.5 as this is not a requirement of the permit application.  Suggests moving points 1.8 and 1.9 referring to Environment Australia and imported food requirements below point 1.11.  Suggests removing “AQIS approved meat freezer” from point 2 i).  Suggests removing point 4.4, which refers to port of entry and has been removed from point 1.5.	Amended as suggested.  Amended as suggested.  Amended as suggested.  Amended as suggested.
Ms Jackie South Import Operations, AQIS	Comments that from July 2002 the Australia New Zealand Food Authority (ANZFA) will be known as the Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ).  Comments that the <i>Food Standards Code</i> will become the <i>Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code</i> in December 2002.  Comments that the <i>Australia New Zealand Food Authority Act 1991</i> is to be replaced by the <i>Food Standard Australia New Zealand Act 2001</i> .	Replaced reference to ANZFA with FSANZ.  Noted. Biosecurity Australia updates such changes at regular intervals.  Noted. Will be updated.
Mr Charlie Manolis Wildlife Management International	Supports the proposed conditions.  Comments that conditions refer only to meat from the saltwater crocodile and that if meat is produced from the PNG freshwater crocodile in the future the conditions would need to be altered.	No action required.  Noted. No action required.
Mr Geoff Clare Environmental Protection Agency, Queensland	Supports the proposed conditions.  States that during the 1990’s PNG produced meat from the PNG freshwater crocodile.  States that in PNG wild pig meat is not fed to crocodiles processed for meat for export.	No action required.  Noted. No action required.  Noted. No action required.

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<p>Mr Stuart Barker Janamba Croc Farm</p>	<p>Expresses concern regarding wild crocodiles consuming wild pig meat (and exposure to trichinellosis) and entering PNG crocodile farms.</p> <p>Asks if wild pig meat is fed to farmed crocodiles as a source of protein.</p> <p>Queries what controls there are to ensure that meat from the PNG freshwater crocodile would not be imported.</p> <p>Suggests testing for trichinellosis on all batches for 12 months.</p> <p>Suggests crocodile meat is stored frozen at -18°C for 30 days until no trace of trichinellosis.</p> <p>Expresses concern about the impact of trichinellosis on Australia's pig meat and crocodile industries should it enter.</p>	<p>Noted. Risk of exposure addressed when determining risk management measure (testing for trichinellosis and freezing meat). No action required.</p> <p>PNG crocodile farms do not feed wild pig meat and utilise by product from broiler chicken abattoir. No action required.</p> <p>Certification by Official Veterinarian that meat is derived from saltwater crocodiles. No action required.</p> <p>Monitoring crocodile meat with negative results and freezing of the meat are required in the proposed conditions. No action required.</p> <p>Noted. Conditions manage the risk of entry of trichinellosis based on scientific information. No action required.</p> <p>Noted. The certification requirements and border quarantine procedures minimise the likelihood of trichinellosis entering Australia through imported crocodile meat. No action required.</p>