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PLANT BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2002/19

IMPORT RISK ANALYSIS –BANANAS FROM THE PHILIPPINES

This Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum informs stakeholders of a change to the Risk Analysis Panel for the IRA on Philippine bananas.

Given the level of complexity and the workload associated with this IRA I have asked Dr Cheryl McRae, Acting General Manager Biosecurity Development and Evaluation, to join the Risk Analysis Panel for the Philippines Banana IRA as Chair. This change has the full support of existing panel members.

I would like to acknowledge Dr Singh for his work as chair to date. I am pleased that the addition of Dr McRae as Chair will enable Dr Singh to focus more closely on the significant technical issues at the heart of this risk analysis. Dr McRae is a very experienced officer with relevant qualifications and experience who will be able to make a major contribution to the conduct of this IRA.

If you wish to suggest inclusion of an additional stakeholder in our distribution list for this IRA, or if you wish to be removed from the distribution list, please provide details to Technical and Administrative Services at the address below.

Information on all IRAs being conducted by Plant Biosecurity is available on the web at <http://www.affa.gov.au/plantbiosecurity>.

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