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PLANT BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2002/39

POLICY REVIEW – FRESH PAPAYA FROM FIJI

The purpose of this Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (PBPM) is to notify you of the availability of a *draft review of quarantine requirements for the import of Fijian papaya to Australia*.

Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (PBPM) 2002/35 of 14 August 2002 advised stakeholders of the public meetings that were held in Mareeba and South Johnstone on 20 & 21 August 2002 respectively to discuss this review of existing policy.

A *draft review of quarantine requirements for the import of Fijian papaya* has been prepared. The purpose of the review is to provide information on:

- import conditions for Fijian papaya
- the export pathway
- the phytosanitary certificate
- audits to be conducted by the Fijian Ministry of Agriculture, Sugar and Land Resettlement
- inspection of papaya on arrival in Australia and
- pests and diseases of quarantine concern.

The draft review paper is available from the AFFA website at www.affa.gov.au/plantbiosecurity or copies can be requested from the contact point below.

You are invited to comment on this paper. Written submissions will be accepted until the close of business Monday 30 September 2002 and should be forwarded to:

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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 above address.

Respondents are advised that, subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* and the *Privacy Act 1988*, all submissions received in response to Plant Biosecurity Policy Memoranda will be publicly available and may be listed or referred to in any papers or reports prepared on the subject matter of the memoranda.

The Commonwealth reserves the right to reveal the identity of a respondent unless a request for anonymity accompanies the submission. Where a request for anonymity does not accompany the submission the respondent will be taken to have consented to the disclosure of his or her identity for the purposes of Information Privacy Principle 11 of the Privacy Act.

The contents of the submission will not be treated as confidential unless they are marked 'confidential' and they are capable of being classified as such in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

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

I look forward to receiving your comments on the draft review paper.

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