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ANIMAL BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2004/13

LIVE REPTILES - REVISED QUARANTINE CONDITIONS

This Animal Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (ABPM) provides stakeholders with Australia's revised quarantine conditions for the importation of live reptiles (other than crocodilians and their eggs) in Attachment A. Unless there is comment that warrants further change, these requirements will come into effect on 9 August 2004.

Biosecurity Australia released proposed revised quarantine requirements for comment in June 2004 (ABPM 2004/08). Comments received were appreciated and taken into account when finalising the conditions. The final document remains similar to the proposed requirements.

Next Steps

Unless there is comment that warrants further change, the attached requirements will come into effect on 9 August 2004.

Please pass this notice to other interested parties. If those parties wish to be included in future communications on this matter they should get in touch with the contact officer (details below). Alternatively, if you wish to be removed from the distribution list, please advise the contact officer.

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