SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES FOR THE MEETING OF THE WOOL INDUSTRY EDP USERS GROUP HELD ON MONDAY THE 5th OF MARCH 2012

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1. V30-3 Documentation changes for next release

The changes to the ASX 24 which came into effect late in 2011 were outlined in an attached paper.

The changes were accepted as there were no queries from the group and they will be included in the next release.

2. Centre-Storage vs. Storage Organization/Centre

There had been correspondence received in regards to the location storage and centre storage fields as there appeared to be differing interpretations being used. The issue is when bales are moved that have already been cored not being reflected in the codes used in the location storage field. The invoice transmission reflected where the wool is stored however NASC have a requirement to know the location pre-sale. There was a need to clarify where the wool is stored to remove any misinterpretations. Buyers have two requirements, to know the location of the wool and what the PSC is.

WIEDPUG Members will do some follow up work to find a workable solution.

3. Electronic Woolbook standard data format

A request was put to the group to discuss if a standard format for electronic woolbook data would be accepted. It was noted that input would be needed from the participants that are driving the need for the data standard.

It would be pertinent for interested parties to get together to discuss a standard. WIEDPUG could issue a standard but it will require the standard to be prepared and presented to WIEDPUG.

Item 3 from WIEDPUG Meeting 14/11/2011 (Identification of Overweight/Underweight bales)

Correspondence since the last meeting was reviewed. A simple flag would be the easiest solution as the number of bales involved was small.

There is a need to have a three character field to show the weight of the lightest bale to get around the specialty bales issue as the lightest weight of a bale had some associated business rules.

If there was a bale(s) with less than 110kg the lowest weight would be shown in a 3 character field in the 20 record. The number of overweight bales would be shown in the 21A record. The fields will be conditional, the condition being that they are mandatory in Australia if there are under or over weight bales and optional in NZ. The changes will be included in the next handbook release.

4. Other Business

Handbook Release

There are now record changes required as well as documentation updates. There will also be another meeting in the near future to clear up the storage location issue so it will require a handbook release. As the changes were relatively minor it was decided a point release would be appropriate, the new version will be 30.3 and the date will be determined at the next meeting, most likely the middle week of the sale recess in July 2012.

5. Next Meeting

TBA (Target 16 April)