SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES FOR THE MEETING OF THE WOOL INDUSTRY EDP USERS GROUP HELD ON MONDAY THE 21st OF SEPTEMBER 2015

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1. EDI Code registry

The issue was raised to see if there are any benefits to add structure around industry code fields. For example ABN could be made mandatory or address fields may need two input areas to handle a physical location as well as an admin location.

There have been requests from subscribers to change ownership of codes where we need to report a code is owned up to a particular date as company 1 and after that date it is owned by company 2.

The scope of the industry code registry needs to be defined.

When a company name is submitted we need clarity on what they should be. There are multiple names for companies, how do we handle this? Is there a need for multiple addresses?

There would be broader issues that aren't related to transmissions. Buyer security could benefit but it would be outside of the WIEDPUG scope.

As much information that could be transmitted electronically would be beneficial and make updates to details easier to manage.

It was necessary to take the discussion offline to decide what the benefits would be. Looking at the business rules as a minimum would be beneficial, creating a central repository of contact information would be a benefit to the industry.

2. Catalogue Transmissions

There is a need for clarification as there were some frustrations with the catalogue transmissions on the EDI network and some clients were emailing catalogues.

A system was put in place to control the submission of AC's with sale prefixes and sale numbers used as a standard to control the uniqueness of data.

It was understood that once a code was allocated, such as 'WT', it would be OK for all future sales to transmit data under this sale for all future weeks without the need to contact the network provider to set up a roster.

At the moment sale rosters are entered by broker for each AC sale, a verification is made against the sale, season, date and broker to ensure data is transmitted correctly.

How would it be determined which AC's are to be verified? There are reserved sales for the open cry auctions S, F, M plus the historical sales which would be verified. Other sales do not need to be verified against a sale roster.

Previous members of the working group on this matter will meet again and report back at the next meeting.

3. AWI Wool Selling Review

This issue was closed until a paper is issued from AWI on the review.

It is unlikely that WIEDPUG would make a submission. It was noted that WIEDPUG should not be involved in the review, if needed the WIEDPUG policy group, FAWO, would respond.

4. Other Business

The version 31.0 upgrade went well with no real issues raised. Brokers however are still not transmitting the lightest individual bale weight, does AWEX validate this data? AWEX confirmed that if there was an issue that needed to be addressed it would be looked at.

If AWEX does this checking there are continuing issues with PSC data being transmitted, could these be looked at by AWEX? It was noted that these issues are best handled by the relevant organisation, if it is a broker issue it would be best to contact NCWSBA, if it is a buyer issue it is best to contact ACWEP.

The intention is to remove the element cross reference from the next release as the information it contained has now been merged into the data dictionary. All group members agreed that the element cross reference could be removed from the next release.