SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES FOR THE MEETING OF THE WOOL INDUSTRY EDP USERS GROUP HELD ON MONDAY THE 22nd OF AUGUST 2016

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1. **PSC Definitions**

   A query was made regarding the PSC report that is being distributed to the brokers as this may determine the need for the changes. There would be no point for further changes if there was no improvement.

   The buyers require the charges transmitted in the catalogue to be the same charge that is transmitted in the invoice.

   It was preferred that "None of the above" would be removed from the options. The delivery basis defines the PSC, it identifies if freight is included, which centre it is deliverable to etc., "None of the above" defeats the purpose of the field. If the suggested changes are to be implemented there may need to be a transition period.

   An enquiry was made regarding the rename of the reporting flag as to whether it was appropriate for the TC document. It was confirmed the rename was meant only for the catalogue documents in the 20 record, this will require a new field.

   An enquiry was made regarding the rename of the core test sampling date field. It was confirmed the field rename was only intended for the catalogue documents in the 21A record, this will require a new field.

   An enquiry was made regarding the rename of the centre auction catalogue field. It was unclear if this field was used anywhere else, a check would be made before deciding on renaming the field or creating a new field.

   The same codes would be kept for the new Core Test/Weigh–Date Flag field so there is not a requirement to alter software unnecessarily.

   Valid Special Characters: the handbook states that the network filters special characters, is this currently occurring? Can we redefine these rules?

   AWTA currently filters for non-ASCII characters and it would be possible to redefine the rules for the filter. Talman also filters for non-ASCII characters and would be able to modify the rules as required.

   It would be necessary to determine which characters are problematic. It was noted that historically brands were written in the catalogues in full, now brands are abbreviated in most catalogues which may be relevant.

   A review of the problematic characters will be undertaken and reported at the next meeting.

2. New Record Types

A request has been made to look at new record types. The issue with creating the new record types would be if the clients requiring the documents would be happy to have the records defined by the industry. Do the records have to be transmitted via the EDI network? The records are for private transactions and the clients would like their standards used by others.

A full proposal will be put forward at the next meeting.

3. WSA Update

The key to making any WSA changes would be to know how the data is currently being used. Without knowing how the WSA data is used it is very difficult to make any changes. A discovery exercise needs to be undertaken.

4. Other Business

The 50 record is currently referenced on page 9-20 and page 19-18 of the handbook however the 50 record was not in the catalogue documents. The notes will be cleaned up in the AC and PC documents to remove the reference to the 50 record.

There has been a FAWO working group looking at exotic diseases, there may be some data requirements directed to WIEDPUG. If a requirement is presented to WIEDPUG it will be reviewed at that time.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday the 25th of October 2016.