SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES FOR THE MEETING OF THE WOOL INDUSTRY EDP USERS GROUP HELD ON TUESDAY THE 16th OF OCTOBER 2018

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1. AC data updates

There has been no progress on the issue and the working group has not met, the issue will be carried over to the next meeting.

2. Property Identification Code

There has been no progress on the issue and the working group has not met.

It is assumed that the record will follow the 80 record in the TRV document, a draft of the editorial changes to the handbook will be presented at the next meeting.

A letter will be drafted and forwarded to FAWO regarding which documents that the PIC information will be required in.

3. Electronic Classer Specifications

There has been no progress made on this issue.

A letter from NCWSBA was presented in support of creating a single standard for electronic classer specifications.

4. Date/Time Stamp

There has been no progress made on this issue.

An enquiry was made if it was possible to add a comment in the handbook to state that data is presented in the sequence it was transmitted. The group thought that this was a very broad statement and may not be applicable to all documents.

AWTA has two options, for example the TC is loaded throughout the day and the data is transmitted in sale, lot sequence order.

5. Pack Material

A paper was presented on proposed changes to the Pack Material and Catalogue Symbol codes to rectify invalid codes.

The group also thought there is an opportunity to review possible duplication between the two code sets.

6. Record type 84

An issue has been identified regarding the notes for the 84 record looping structure in the current version of the handbook. The notes refer to an 82 record which does not appear in the LI document.

7. Number of Quality/Registration Schemes & Use of Case

There is an increasing use of quality schemes in the industry and it was noted that while currently the standards handle three quality schemes per lot which is enough it may be necessary in the future to expand this.

An enquiry was made as to whether farm brands should always be transmitted in upper case. The group thought that if a change was going to made it might be better to think wider than just the farm brand field, for example the lot number field format.

There may be implications to current systems if changes were made to field formats and the use of case.

8. WIEDPUG Items for discussion

WIEDPUG Presentation at FAWO

The presentation to FAWO at their recent meeting was reviewed. FAWO has made an invitation for the WIEDPUG Chairperson to attend a FAWO meeting once per annum.

Role of WIEDPUG

A request was made to review the WIEDPUG terms of reference and the role of WIEDPUG.

WIEDPUG policy on handbook release time

The current guideline for handbook releases is six months' notice from the time of the handbook changes being finalised. This timeframe is flexible depending on the number and the size of the changes required and will be agreed upon by the group.

9. Other Business

Percentage Basis: An enquiry was made if the percentage of the price of wool could be removed as a calculation basis. The group advised that this is not possible as this would be a business decision and does not fall within WIEDPUG's role.

EDI Code Search: An enquiry was made as to whether the development of an EDI code and name search would be useful. The group outlined that there is currently a name search on the OZDE network website and the OD document allows for the download of all code details. The group did not feel that any extra ability to search EDI codes and names was required.

10. Next Meeting

9:30am AEDT Tuesday the 29th of January 2019 (Face-to-Face at AWTA Melbourne)

9:00am AEST Tuesday the 16th of April 2019

9:00am AEST Tuesday the 11th of June 2019

9:00am AEDT Tuesday the 15th of October 2019