# SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES FOR THE MEETING OF THE WOOL INDUSTRY EDP USERS GROUP HELD ON TUESDAY THE 29th OF JANUARY 2019

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## 1. AC data updates

A new Auction Catalogue Updates document was presented to the group, it is designed to be a starting point to allow for updates only to auction catalogue data. The notes for the new document will reference the existing Auction Catalogues document.

The specific business rules for the document will be defined in the future externally to WIEDPUG.

The requested action item for a NASC paper to be presented at the next WIEDPUG meeting for approval before being forwarded to NASC will be held over to the next meeting.

# 2. Property Identification Code

The changes required to include PIC data in the TRV document were presented to the group.

It was noted that the record should be optional and not required in New Zealand.

The working group had not met to discuss issues with potential other uses of the PIC information.

#### 3. Electronic Classer Specifications

Some members of the group made a request for the working group to take into consideration existing naming conventions and noted that there could be some conflicts with standards in the proposal. The members that raised the concerns will be included in the working group.

To finalise the document the comments from the meeting need to be considered by the working group with a final document to be presented at the next meeting. If required a meeting will be called and a dot point release of the handbook will be issued.

## 4. Date/Time Stamp

This item was closed, the original clarification from the OZDE network provider was sufficient.

# 5. Pack Material

The changes presented were to remove duplication of information and make pack material codes consistent. The recommendations were accepted by the group.

## 6. Record type 84

The suggested changes to the record looping structure notes for the 84 record in the LI document were accepted.

#### 7. Requirements of case for fields

The group noted that there are more changes required than the three fields identified in the paper. The recommended changes were accepted.

#### 8. Delivery Order marking Rules

The group decided to include agenda item 12 in the discussion for agenda item 10 as they are related.

The countermark and headmark rules are not consistent in their application currently. The rules need simplifying and the associated business rules tightened to remove confusion. A working group will be formed to draft some recommended changes.

## 9. Quality Schemes

The group was asked to consider which option was best to allow for more than three quality schemed to be transmitted. The consensus of the group was to loop the 25A record with the mulesing status field to be only included in the first loop.

It was also recommended that the full four-character scheme code be used to remove the code translation requirement. The quality scheme other details field will reduce from 15 characters to 13 characters to allow for this.

#### 10. DO 42 Record Loops

Agenda item review included in agenda item 10.

#### 11. AWTA Certificate Number Format

The group was updated on the AWTA certificate number format, the project has been held over for 12 months with an estimated implementation of July 2020. The group will be updated when more information is available.

#### 12. Expected Barbe

A request was presented to include an Expected Barbe field in the TC document.

An enquiry was made as to whether the field was required as less than 10% of the clip was relevant for the field. The group noted that although it was only 10% of the clip it was 100% of crossbred wool, three brokers have made a request to include the field and IWTO has approved the test method.

It is possible that the calculated value may differ from the transmitted value, this will need to be monitored for discrepancies.

## 13. Document Originator

Anomalies in the document originator field were documented for the group to review and an enquiry as to whether the handbook was correct with its definitions was made.

A request was made for the two current network providers to review how the field is implemented.

## 14. Current Transmitter

The codes in use for the current transmitter field were currently out of date in the OZDE network with AWXS and VDNS no longer relevant. The handbook will be updated to reflect this.

#### 15. New EDI Code requirements

The paper outlined suggested improvements to allocating new codes for change of an organisations ABN or organisation name. These changes were accepted and will be included in the next handbook release.

It was also recommended that all new codes have a registered ABN and the organisation name is either the entity name or a trading name for the ABN. This change will be included in the handbook.

#### 16. Business Rules associated with access to network data

The group was advised that the Symbotic paper was not intended to be a solution to the problem that has been raised regarding access to broadcast data. The paper was intended to include the 09 record in the AC document as it was an oversight.

OZDE advised that including the 09 record would be one option to solve the issue however the inclusion would incur a performance hit on the network. Another option would be to allow exclusion or inclusion by industry type of each EDI code however this would be difficult to administer.

There would be no difference in performance as to whether an exclusion list was recorded in the transmission or held on the network.

OZDE advised that the timeline for making any changes for the July 2019 release would be tight. The Chair advised OZDE that it is likely a change will be required for the 09 record to be included in all of the broadcast documents.

#### 17. Role of WIEDPUG

The paper presented outlined five areas which were to be discussed, these are Principles, Business Rules Around Data, Dissemination of information, Data formats and Internationalisation.

The discussion moved between each of these topics and various points of view of the members regarding the issue were debated. Following is a summary of the discussions.

XML and JSON formats should be included in the handbook along with any other formats deemed to be relevant in the wool industry.

OZDE advised that they currently use XML in transmissions. This was thought to be an issue as the format was not currently documented in the handbook.

Any proposal for changes would require costings to be included. The costs of making changes along with the costs of not making changes would need to be considered.

Would a move to another technology be required to be exclusive, could the old and new technologies exist together?

The role of WIEDPUG should be getting technical standards correct. Data ownership is a commercial decision, not an issue for WIEDPUG.

Data integrity is currently resolved in a business to business manner, this was thought to be the best practice.

Any requirements for compliance resolution and clarifications of the WIEDPUG handbook will be directed to the WIEDPUG secretary in the first instance.

Collaboration was currently not handled very well, a request was made for all members to submit their current collaboration tools for review.

A scoping review of internationalisation was suggested with differences such as payments methods and tares looked at. This will be a work in progress over time.

An endorsement from the group was requested that JSON and XML will be accepted regarding the eSpeci work. The group consensus was that they would be accepted and the eSpeci document should be included as a part of the WIEDPUG handbook.

The group consensus was that a strategic paper would need to be presented to FAWO.

#### 18. Other Business

WIEDPUG Agenda Items Paper

 The recommendations of this paper were accepted, all future WIEDPUG meetings will follow the updated agenda item guidelines.

AWH requested to become members of WIEDPUG. This request will be presented to FAWO for consideration, AWH will provide a formal request to the WIEDPUG Chair which will be forwarded to FAWO.

The next face to face meeting in 2020 will be pushed back a week to avoid the Australia day long weekend.

The next meeting will be moved forward to the 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2019 to address issues raised at this meeting.

## 19. Next Meetings

9:00am AEST Tuesday the 19th of March 2019

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

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

9:30am AEDT Tuesday the 4th of February 2020 (Face-to-Face at AWTA Melbourne)