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REMINDER: 2013 Review of National Wool Declaration

As previously advised, it is two years since the last review of the National Wool Declaration (NWD) with this time-frame used to consolidate the changes made to the document in 2011. AWEX, through the Industry Services Advisory Committee (ISAC), is commencing its 2013 review of the NWD. The purpose of the review is to consider the content, (e.g. user-friendliness, understanding the form and the definitions), extension and uptake of the NWD as well as how it is being received by industry.

The review also takes into consideration the National Wool Declaration - Integrity Program (NWD-IP), involving desktop audits of mulesing status, authentication of the use of Pain Relief at Mulesing (PR) and on farm inspections for declarations of Non Mulesed (NM) and Ceased Mulesing (CM).

Industry stakeholders are invited to make a submission on any aspect of the NWD. This review is being conducted to ensure that the NWD remains current and will be ready for inclusion in new shearing stationery printed by industry from December 2013 forward.

All submissions must be in writing and include the name and address of the author/organisation. Please include the topic(s) and the background to the topic(s) to be considered.

Submissions must be lodged with AWEX by Close of Business on <u>Friday 27th</u> <u>September 2013</u>. Emails are welcome.

For further information or to make a submission to ISAC on the NWD Review, please use the following contact:

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