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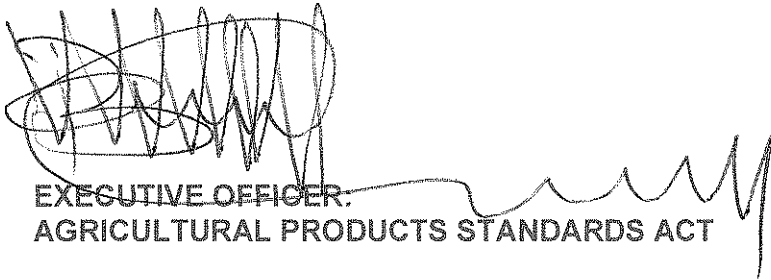
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Subject:

In order to comply with the Indonesian Ministerial Decree Nr 88 Permentan/PP.340/12/2011, the following Standard Operating Procedure shall be followed:

1. Exporters and producers of regulated agricultural food commodities of plant origin to Indonesia must inform the Perishable Product Export Control Board (PPECB), Ms Natasha Wentzel, at least ten days before the export, of their intention to export to Indonesia.
2. The Production Units from which products would be sourced must be identified and submitted to the PPECB so that samples for analysis in order to verify compliance with maximum residue limits, banned chemicals, heavy metals and identified microbiological standards as required by the Indonesia Authority (as specified in the attached list) can be drawn by PPECB.
3. PPECB shall draw samples from one or two sources i.e. unpacked fruit directly from the bins provided that the bins can be directly linked to a PUC or from cartons already packed that can also be directly linked to a PUC.
4. All Production Units must comply with the South African food safety export standards and requirements R707 "Standards Regarding Food Hygiene and Food Safety of Regulated Agricultural Food Products of Plant Origin Intended for Export" in May 2005.
5. All identified PUC's per cultivar from which products may be exported shall be sampled by PPECB, and such samples shall be sent to the laboratories that have been appointed by DAFF. No treatment (post harvest chemicals) shall be applied to the products after sampling has taken place.
6. Should chemical treatment be applied after samples have been drawn, the provisions referred to in paragraph 10 shall cease to apply, which means that every container that is destined for export to Indonesia shall be subjected to maximum residue testing prior to export.
7. The costs of analysis shall be borne by either the exporter or the producer whoever the case may be.
8. After analysis the DAFF appointed laboratories shall make available test results to the DAFF Laboratories and PPECB.

9. PPECB will use the test results received from the appointed laboratories to build a profile for compliance of each PUC. A safety certificate with test results as required by the Indonesian Authority shall be issued by the DAFF Laboratory. The export certificate by PPECB shall be issued out based on the DAFF safety certificates.
10. The validity of the safety certificate (per PUC per variety) shall be for a period of two months, from the date of issue of the safety certificate until the date on which the export certificate is signed off by PPECB.
11. In cases where product from a specific PUC does not conform to the applicable standards and requirements as indicated above, then such products may not form part of the consignment and therefore may not be exported.



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