

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL UNDER THE GMO ACT, 1997 HELD ON 23 JULY 2013, DAFF, HARVEST HOUSE, ROOM 332, PRETORIA

PRESENT

Dr. J Jaffha (Chairperson)
 Ms W P Mandivenyi
 Prof G Bouwer

Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF)
 Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA)
 Chairperson of the Advisory Committee (AC) under the GMO Act, 1997

APOLOGIES

Mr B Durham

Department of Science and Technology (DST)

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms N L Mkhonza
 Ms R Ngoepe
 Ms T. Tshimomola
 Ms K. Malakalaka
 Mr M. Kharika

Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (Secretariat) (DAFF)
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NO.	SUBJECT	RESOLUTION	FOR ATTENTION
1.	OPENING AND WELCOME	The Chairperson welcomed those present at the EC meeting.	EC Chairperson
2.	ATTENDANCE REGISTER AND APOLOGIES	The attendance register was circulated to everyone present for signature.	EC Chairperson
3.	ADDITIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA	The agenda was adopted with the following additions. 7.4. SANSOR-Stack policy proposal Africabio-Stack policy proposal 7.5 Meeting with the Portfolio Committee.	
4.	APPROVAL OF THE	The record of proceedings of the meeting held on 29 January 2013 was amended and	

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5.	RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF 29 JANUARY 2013 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PROCEEDINGS	approved.	
5.1	Feedback on appeals lodged under the GMO Act (DAFF)	The EC was informed that the potato appeal is still outstanding.	DAFF
6.1	APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED BY EC (REGISTRAR) TIME EXTENSIONS, AMENDMENTS TO (EXISTING) PERMITS, IMPORT AND EXPORTS		
	Time extensions, amendments to (existing) permits, import and exports		
6.1.2	Monsanto-13/1307: time extension for import and trial release of maize event MON87460	The EC approved the Monsanto-13/1307: time extension for import and trial release of maize event MON87460.	EC
6.1.3	Monsanto-13/1308: time extension for import and trial release of maize event MON87460	The EC approved the Monsanto-13/1308: time extension for import and trial release of maize event MON87460.	EC
6.1.4	Monsanto-13/1309: time extension for export and trial release of maize event	The EC approved the Monsanto-13/1309: time extension for export and trial release of maize event MON87460.	EC

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6.2	MON87460 New applications Trial release and import and /or export		
6.2.1	Pioneer 13/762: Import and trial release of SPT maize maintainer event DP-32138-1	The EC approved the Pioneer 13/762: Import and trial release of SPT maize maintainer event DP-32138-1.	EC
6.2.2	Wits 13/027: Import and clinical trial of HIV vaccine (NYVAC-HIV-PT1 and NYVAC-HIV-PT4)	The EC approved the Wits 13/027: Import and clinical trial of HIV vaccine (NYVAC-HIV-PT1 and NYVAC-HIV-PT4) subject to MCC approval.	EC
6.3	Contained use and import and/or export		
6.3.1	Pioneer 13/763: Import and contained use of SPT maize maintainer event DP-3213	The EC approved the Pioneer 13/763: Import and contained use of SPT maize maintainer event DP-3213	EC
6.4	<u>Commodity clearance</u>		
6.4.1	SANSOR: Industry proposal for dealing with GMO commodity clearance permits	(i) The EC was informed about the proposal to comply with the commodity clearance permit conditions. (ii) The EC recommended that further discussions be considered at the DAFF-SANSOR bilateral meeting.	EC/OoR
6.5	<u>General release</u>		
6.5.1	Lohmann Animal Health SA	The EC decision is pending on the Lohmann Animal Health SA 12/001 general	

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7.	<p>12/001 general release of a Salmonella typhimurium live culture poultry vaccine (AviPro Megan Vac 1)</p> <p>General</p> <p>Standing matters</p>	<p>release of a Salmonella typhimurium live culture poultry vaccine (AviPro Megan Vac 1).</p>	
7.1	Regulatory and policy developments (All)	The EC was informed that the DEA and DAFF have received the Bioeconomy strategy for comments.	All
7.2.	Cartagena Protocol (DEA)	<p>(i) The EC was informed that following the COP-MOP/6 discussions, a request was made for additional countries to be brought into the Biosafety Clearing House (BCH) project and the funds have been made available by the GEF. South Africa has been approached to participate in the Biosafety Clearing House (BCH) project.</p> <p>(ii) The EC was reminded that the COP/MOP 7 will be held in Korea in September 2014. The DEA will look at the programme of work.</p>	DEA
7.3	Non-compliance Other	None	DAFF
7.4	SANSOR-Stack policy proposal Africabio-Stack policy proposal	<p>(i) The EC had a discussion on the stack policy proposals submitted by SANSOR and Africabio respectively. The EC mentioned that the GMO Act requires applicants to apply for each stacked event.</p> <p>(ii) The EC recommended that further discussions be considered at the DAFF-</p>	EC

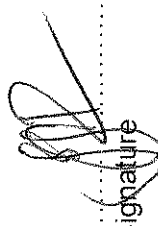
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		SANSOR and DAFF-AfricaBio bilateral meetings.	
7.5	Meeting with the portfolio committee	The EC was informed that the portfolio committee has requested DAFF to give an overview on GMOs. The meeting will be held on 20 August 2013.	EC
7.8	SA-Argentina and SA-Brazil Binational Commission SADC Biotech Conference	The EC was informed to note the SA-Argentina, SA-Brazil commission respectively taking place early August 2013 in Argentina.	EC
9.	Date of the next meeting	The date for the next meeting is scheduled for 17 September 2013.	All
10.	Closure	The meeting was concluded at 12H57.	

Approved by Chairperson

Dr. J Jaftha

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Signature



Approved by Registrar

Ms NL Mkhonza

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