

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL UNDER THE GMO ACT, 1997 HELD ON 28
JULY 2015, DAFF, HARVEST HOUSE, ROOM 332, PRETORIA**

PRESENT

Dr J Jaffha (Chairperson)
 Prof G Bouwer
 Ms N Tshidada
 Dr M Jugmohan-Naidu
 Ms T Ndulkwana
 Mr M Matlala
 Ms N Netnou- Nkoana

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 Chairperson of the Advisory Committee (AC) under the GMO Act, 1997
 Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA)
 Department of Science and Technology (DST)
 Department of Trade and Industry (**the dti**)
 Department of Water & Sanitation (DWA)
 Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF)

APOLOGIES

Mr B Durham
 Ms W P Mandivenyi
 Ms U Speirs

Department of Science and Technology (DST)
 Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA)
 Department of Trade and Industry (**the dti**)

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms R Ngoepe
 Ms N L Mkhonza
 Mr S Mokhothu
 Mr T Bambo
 Ms T Mogapi
 Mr M Kharkha
 Ms V Klaas
 Mr T Kone

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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

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3.	ADDITIONS TO AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA	The agenda was adopted, with the following additions:	All
4.	APPROVAL OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF 26 MAY 2015	The record of proceedings of the meeting held on 26 May 2015 was approved with amendments.	All
5.	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PROCEEDINGS		
6.	APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED BY EC (REGISTRAR)		Registrar
	Time extensions, amendments to (existing) permits, import and exports		
6.1	Monsanto 15/1589: Import and extension of Trial Release of Maize MON87460 x NK603	The EC approved the Monsanto 15/1589: Import and extension of trial release of maize MON87460 x NK603.	
6.2	Monsanto 15/1590: Import and extension of Trial Release of Maize MON87460 x MON89034	The EC approved the Monsanto 15/1590: Import and extension of trial release of maize MON87460 x MON89034.	
6.3	Monsanto 15/1591: Import and extension of Trial Release of Maize MON87460 x MON810	The EC approved the Monsanto 15/1591: Import and extension of trial release of maize MON87460 x MON810.	
6.4	Monsanto 15/1592: Import and extension of Trial	The EC approved the Monsanto 15/1592: Import and extension of trial release of maize MON87460 x MON89034 x NK603.	

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6.5	Release of Maize MON87460 x MON89034 x NK603 Bayer – 15/059: Import and extension of Trial Release of Cotton Glytol x Twinklink	The EC approved the Bayer 15/059: Import and extension of trial release of Cotton Glytol x Twinklink.	
	New applications Trial release and import and /or export		
6.6	Dow AgroSciences – 14/018: Import and Trial Release of Maize (DAS-40278-9)	The EC approved the Dow AgroSciences 14/018: Import and extension of trial release of Maize DAS-40278-9.	
6.7	Dow AgroSciences – 14/019: Import and Trial Release of Maize (NK603 x DAS-40278-9)	The EC approved the Dow AgroSciences 14/019: Import and extension of trial release of Maize NK603 x DAS-40278-9.	
6.8	Dow AgroSciences – 14/020: Import and Trial Release of Maize (MON89034 x 1507 x NK603)	The EC approved the Dow AgroSciences 14/020: Import and extension of trial release of Maize MON89034 x 1507 x NK603.	
6.9	Dow AgroSciences – 14/021: Import and Trial Release of Maize (MON89034 x 1057 x NK603 x DAS-40278-9)	The EC approved the Dow AgroSciences 14/021: Import and extension of trial release of Maize MON89034 x 1057 x NK603 x DAS-40278-9.	
6.10	Monsanto – 15/1559: Import and Trial Release of Cotton (MON88913 x MON88701)	The EC decision is pending.	

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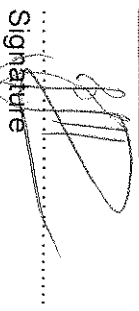
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6.11	Triclinium – 15/080: Import and Trial Release of TB Vaccine (MTBVAC) New applications Contained use and import and/or export Trial release and import and /or export New applications Commodity Clearance	The EC approved the Triclinium – 15/080: Import and Trial Release of TB Vaccine (MTBVAC). NONE	
6.12	Dow AgroSciences – 14/017: Commodity Clearance of Soybean (DAS-68414-4 x MON89788-1)	The EC decision is pending.	
6.13	Syngenta – 14/147: Commodity Clearance of Maize (Bt11 x MIR162) New applications General Release	The EC approved the Syngenta-14/147: Commodity Clearance of Maize Bt11 x MIR162.	
6.14	CEVA – 15/004: General Release of Poultry Vaccine (VECTORMUNE HVT NDV & RISPENS)	The EC approved the CEVA – 15/004: General Release of Poultry Vaccine (VECTORMUNE HVT NDV & RISPENS).	
6.15	Intervet – 15/002: General Release of Poultry Vaccine (INNOVAX™ –ND)	The EC approved the Intervet – 15/002: General Release of Poultry Vaccine (INNOVAX™ –ND).	
7.	General		All

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	Standing matters		
7.1	Regulatory and policy developments (All)	<p>(a) EU notification</p> <p>(i) The EC noted that the EU submitted a notification proposing the possibility to introduce restrictions by Member States on the use of GM food and feed on their territory. However, the restriction excludes the import and the placing of those particular GMOs on the market in EU.</p> <p>(b) China notification</p> <p>The EC noted that China is amending the application requirements for trials where they have changed the number of regions and have increased the number of events that can be included in one application.</p>	All
7.2	Cartagena Protocol	<p>(i) The EC was reminded that DEA should submit the third National report on the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety.</p> <p>(ii) The EC was informed that DEA had a Stakeholder consultation where inputs were received from Industry and key Government departments.</p>	DEA
7.3	Non-compliance		DAFF
	Other		
12	Date of the next meeting	The date for the next meeting is scheduled for 29 September 2015.	All
13	Closure	The meeting was concluded at 13:30	All

Approved by Chairperson

Dr J Jaftha

Signature 

Approved by Registrar

Ms NL Mkhonza

Signature 