Ministry for Primary Industries

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CTO Direction to MPI Inspector
Biosecurity clearance of non-compliant consignment/s

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Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, ..., give the following directions for consignments of sediment imported from Antarctica by Lincoln University (TF1421) to be transferred to The University of Canterbury Engineering Laboratory (a non MPI approved facility) for destructive chemical analysis.

The procedure used to transfer, analyse and destroy the sediment samples are considered equivalent to those measures found in section 2.2.1 of the import health standard (IHS) MPI.STD.SOWTR: *Soil, rock, gravel, sand, clay and water.*

Samples will be required to be prepared in buffer solution comprising of vials of up to 0.5 grams of sediment, pasteurised at 86°C for 4 hours prior to leaving the approved transitional facility, transported in leak proof containers and be destroyed using autoclaving and bleach after analysis has been completed.

All other relevant sections of the IHS for importing soil, rock, gravel, sand, clay and water from any country for the above samples must be complied with.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing, and applies only to consignments of Antarctic sediment imported by Lincoln University.

Manager, Plant and Forestry Plant, Food & Environment Directorate

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