

APPROVAL No. 6: BLACK SIGATOKA (CP/01/02)

Conditions for Movement of Banana fruit, banana bells and packaging in Response to Black Sigatoka Outbreak in Queensland

I, Lindsay J Cook, Chief of the Division of Plant Industries of the New South Wales Department of Agriculture pursuant to **Proclamation - P119** published in the New South Wales Government Gazette of 1 February 2002;

- A. revoke my Approvals dated 26 June 2001 (Approval No: 3) and 24 July 2001 (Approval No: 5) and any Approval revived as a result of those revocations; and
- B. approve entry into NSW of banana fruit and packaging, banana bells and packaging and banana planting material and packaging, into certain parts of New South Wales upon compliance with the following conditions - Conditions 1, 2, 3 and 4 - as applicable.

APPROVAL OF CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Condition 1: (*banana fruit movement by rail through the NSW Banana Protection Area*)

Pursuant to Clause 1 of Proclamation P119, the movement by rail of through the **NSW Banana Protection Area** of **banana fruit and banana coverings** that originate from or have been packed **in the part of Queensland north of latitude 22° south**, is subject to the following conditions:

- (a) the banana fruit must comply with Condition 2;
- (b) the banana fruit must be transported in bolt sealed containers, and the bolt must be sealed prior to the container entering NSW and the bolt must remain sealed at all times while the container is within the NSW Banana Protection Area; and
- (c) the container must be inspected and found free of any banana leaf material; prior to entering the NSW Banana Protection Area.

*Note 1: Movement by road or rail of banana fruit and banana packaging through the area of NSW **outside** the **NSW Banana Protection Area** is subject only to **Condition 2**. Proclamation P119 prohibits movement of banana fruit by road transport through the NSW Banana Protection Area.*

*Note 2: The **NSW Banana Protection Area** is the Local Government areas of New South Wales specified in Schedule 1 of Proclamation - P119 published in the Government Gazette on 1 February 2002*

Condition 2: *(banana fruit movement into NSW, other than the Banana Protection area)*

Pursuant to Clause 2 of Proclamation P119, **Banana fruit that originates from or that has been packed in the part of Queensland north of latitude 22° south** is approved for entry into the area of NSW **outside** the **NSW Banana Protection Area**, if the following conditions are complied with:

- (a) the banana fruit must be commercially packed;
- (b) the packaging must be free of any banana leaf material or trash; and
- (c) the packaging must be clearly marked with the Interstate Produce Number (IPN) under the Interstate Certification Scheme.

Condition 3: *(movement of banana planting material into NSW, other than into the NSW Banana Protection Area)*

Pursuant to Clause 2 of proclamation P119, specified banana plant material, namely 'banana suckers', that originate from or that have been packed in the part of Queensland north of latitude 22° south is approved for entry into the area of NSW **outside** the **NSW Banana Protection Area**, if the following conditions are complied with:

- (a) the suckers originate from a part of Queensland, other than within 50km of a known infestation of Black Sigatoka;
- (b) the suckers are sourced from a nursery that is an accredited nursery under the Quality Banana Accredited Nursery (QBAN) Scheme;
- (c) the suckers are dug according to the conditions specified in the QBAN guidelines;
- (d) the suckers are thoroughly cleaned and pared in the field following digging; and
- (e) the suckers are dipped in a 100ppm chlorine solution prior to dispatch to NSW.

Condition 4:

Pursuant to Clause 2 of Proclamation P119 **Banana bells that originate from or that have been packed in the part of Queensland north of latitude 22° south** are approved for entry into NSW for the purpose of moving by road or rail transport through the area of NSW **outside** the **NSW Banana Protection Area** only, if the following conditions are complied with:

- (a) the banana bells must be commercially packed;

- (b) the packaging must be free of any banana leaf material or trash; and
- (c) the banana bells must not at any time be off-loaded from the road or rail carrier in NSW.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "L J Cook".

L J COOK
Chief, Division of Plant Industries
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Date: Friday 1 February 2002. **Time:** ...2.00 pm AEDST