

9<sup>th</sup> August 2013

## 2013 Review of National Wool Declaration

It is two years since the last review of the National Wool Declaration (NWD) with this period of time used to consolidate the changes made to the document in 2011. With the benefit of experience, industry stakeholders are asked to make submissions on ways that both the NWD and its Integrity Program might be improved.

AWEX, through the Industry Services Advisory Committee (ISAC), is now commencing its 2013 review of the NWD. The purpose of the review is to consider the content, (e.g. user-friendliness, understanding the form, and the definitions), extension and uptake of the NWD and how it is being received by industry.

The review also takes into consideration the National Wool Declaration - Integrity Program (NWD-IP), involving desktop audits of mulesing status, authentication of the use of Pain Relief at Mulesing (PR) and on farm inspections for declarations of Non Mulesed (NM) and Ceased Mulesing (CM).

Industry stakeholders are invited to make a submission on any aspect of the NWD. This review is being conducted to ensure that the NWD remains current and will be ready for inclusion in new shearing stationery printed by industry from December 2013 forward.

***All submissions must be in writing and include the name and address of the author/organisation and must be lodged with AWEX by Close of Business on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2013. Emails are welcome.***

***When making a submission, please include the topic(s) and the background to the topic(s) to be considered.***

AWEX's Industry Services Advisory Committee will give due consideration to all submissions.

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