

**SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES FOR THE MEETING OF THE WOOL INDUSTRY EDP USERS  
GROUP HELD ON TUESDAY THE 19<sup>th</sup> OF MARCH 2019**

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**1. AC Data Updates**

The group was advised that there was no update on the issue. NASC has been advised at a recent meeting of the new document and it will set the required business rules. A more detailed paper will be provided at the next NASC meeting.

**2. Property Identification Code**

There was no update on this issue, it will be carried forward to the next meeting.

**3. Electronic Classer Specifications**

The group was advised that there was significant progress made on finalising the data formats. Another meeting of the working group will be required to finalise the standard, it is hoped it will be completed by the next meeting.

**4. Countermark/Headmark Rule Changes**

Work on this item has hit a roadblock with disagreement on a single definition for countermarks and headmarks.

The immediacy of the issue has been resolved however work should continue to clearly define countermark and headmark rules.

**5. Document Originator**

An example of how AWTA treats document originator was provided for the group. The definition appeared to be sufficient, however it might need to be better defined.

Talman had not reviewed how OZDE treats document originator but believed it was the same as AWTA.

The group thought that it should be used to reference the creator of the data to enable queries regarding the data to be directed to the correct organisation.

**6. Role of WIEDPUG**

**Collaboration Tools**

Responses have been received from most of the group, currently these responses are being summarised. After they are collated and the tools are reviewed a paper will be presented to the group.

**Internationalisation of Fields**

There was no update on this issue, it will be carried forward to the next meeting.

**Summary Paper Suggestions Review**

There was no update on this issue, it will be carried forward to the next meeting.

## Strategy Paper

The objectives of the paper were unclear, is the group arguing that the suggestions could be done? It was thought the first page was a history lesson, was this required? Documentation on where we would like to go should be expanded.

It was thought that the final draft should have recommendations. It should include where the industry was heading technically. A cost/benefit analysis may be required.

The group consensus was to rename the Terms of Reference Working Group to the Strategy Working Group.

Some issues from the strategy paper were not discussed sufficiently in the face to face meeting in January due to time constraints. An opportunity was given to discuss these issues further.

The two issues not discussed sufficiently were data ownership and data integrity. Both of these require further investigation and are significant business issues.

AWTA were happy to provide feedback on ownership of data. It might be necessary to put something in the handbook on these issues.

## 7. LPB Clarification

The percentage sold field in the 14 record of the LPB document was not clear on how the percentage was calculated.

The definition in the notes of the LPB document required clarification that it was calculated for every 10 record grouping, the total lots offered field used the same grouping for calculation.

## 8. Other Business

**Current Transmitter:** An enquiry was made as to whether the codes AWXS & VDNS would be removed from the current transmitter field on the OZDE network. Talman advised that the IP addresses will be kept active for safety, the AWXS and VDNS codes will all be changed to be OZDE.

**08 Record:** It was noted that there are multiple codes for some buying organisations, would it be possible to use just the first three characters of the organisation code to reduce the number of codes requiring to be referenced in the 08 record. The group thought it was best to let the change settle now that the implementation has been finalised and see if there are any issues.

**Percentage of XML:** An enquiry was made as to what percentage of transmissions use XML, this would be useful in determining the urgency of XML standards being finalised. Talman advised that overall the use of XML was about 5%, with SGS using XML on the NZDE network, while use of XML on OZDE was only a very small amount. Talman also advised that no one try sending a document to OZDE in XML as it probably wouldn't work. With the percentage being low the urgency of finalising the XML standards was not considered to be high.

**Service Provider Invitations:** An enquiry was made regarding the status of the invitations to service providers that are currently not on WIEDPUG to join WIEDPUG. The group consensus was to send invitations to known service providers, inviting them to join the group as observers or simply receive the agenda and minutes of the meetings.

**Data Receiver List:** A request had been made to receive a list of data receivers from the OZDE network, an enquiry was made if there were any privacy issues distributing this list. With the new 08 record this list would be important when using this record. The group consensus was that it was OK to send an individual list to subscribers, this answers the question “who has received my data” and allows subscribers to use the 08 record more effectively.

#### **9. Next Meeting**

9:00am AEST Tuesday the 18th of June 2019

9:00am AEDT Tuesday the 15th of October 2019

9:30am AEDT Tuesday the 4th of February 2020 (Face-to-Face at AWTA Melbourne)

9:00am AEST Tuesday the 21st of April 2020