

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL UNDER THE GMO ACT, 1997 HELD ON 13 SEPTEMBER 2016, DAFF, HARVEST HOUSE, ROOM 236, PRETORIA

PRESENT

Dr J Jaftha (Chairperson)
 Ms N Tshidada
 Ms T Ndukwana
 Mr B Durham
 Prof G Bouwer
 Ms P Campbell
 Ms N Netnou Nkoana

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

APOLOGIES

Ms W P Mandivenyi
 Mr M Matlala
 Dr M Jugmohan-Naidu
 Ms J Mhlophe
 Dr A Sigobodhla

Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA)
 Department of Water & Sanitation (DWS)
 Department of Science and Technology (DST)
 Department of Labour (DoL)
 Department of Health (DoH)

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms R Ngoepe
 Ms N L Mkhonza
 Ms T Mogapi
 Ms T Kone
 Ms A Madzivhandila
 Mr T Bambo

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 Department of Health (DoH)
 Department of Science and Technology (DST)

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.	All
4.	APPROVAL OF THE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF 26 JULY 2016	The record of proceedings of the meeting held on 26 July 2016 was approved with amendments.	All
5.	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PROCEEDINGS		
5.1	Feedback on Appeals Lodged under the GMO Act	The EC was reminded that the African Centre for Biodiversity has appealed the EC's approval of general release of drought tolerant maize MON87460 submitted by Monsanto.	DAFF
5.3	Consideration of Syngenta appeal: application for commodity clearance of maize 3272 x Bt11 X MIR604 x GA21: reference number:12/121	(i) The Minister has upheld the appeal board's decision and has referred the Syngenta's commodity clearance of maize 3272xBt11xMIR604xGA21 back to the EC for reconsideration. (ii) The EC members reconsidered the application and the EC decision is pending.	
5.4	Dow Agro new data: application for general release of maize MON89034x1507xNK603: reference number: 15/022	The EC reconsidered Dow AgroSciences' additional information and did not approve the application.	
6.	APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED BY EC (REGISTRAR)		Registrar
	Time extensions, amendments to (existing) permits, import and exports		

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6.1	Dow AgroSciences-16/024: import and trial release extension of DAS-40278-9 maize	The EC approved the Dow AgroSciences-16/024: import and trial release extension of DAS-40278-9 maize.	
6.2	Dow AgroSciences-16/025: import and trial release extension of NK603x DAS-40278-9 maize	The EC approved the Dow AgroSciences-16/025: import and trial release extension of NK603x DAS-40278-9 maize.	
6.3	Dow AgroSciences-16/026: import and trial release extension of MON89034 x 1507 x NK603 maize	The EC approved the Dow AgroSciences-16/026: import and trial release extension of MON89034 x 1507 x NK603 maize.	
6.4	Dow AgroSciences-16/027: import and trial release extension of MON89034 x 1507 x NK603 x DAS-40278-9 maize	The EC approved the Dow AgroSciences-16/027: import and trial release extension of MON89034 x 1507 x NK603 x DAS-40278-9 maize.	
	New applications Trial release and import and /or export		
6.5	Amgen - 16/001: Trial Release of Talimogene laherparepvec ("T-VEC")	The EC approved the Amgen - 16/001: Trial Release of Talimogene laherparepvec ("T-VEC") subject to approval by the Medicines and Related Substances Act of 1965 (Act 101 of 1965).	
6.6	Triclinium - 16/083: Trial	The EC approved the Triclinium - 16/083: Trial release of TB Vaccine (VPM1002)	

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	release of TB Vaccine (VPM1002)	to approval by the Medicines and Related Substances Act of 1965 (Act 101 of 1965).	
	New applications Contained use and import and/or export Trial release and import and /or export	NONE	
	New applications Commodity Clearance		
6.7	Syngenta - 15/156: Commodity Clearance of Maize Bt11xTC1507xGA21	The EC decision on Syngenta-15/156: Commodity Clearance of Maize Bt11xTC1507xGA21 is pending.	
6.8	Pioneer- 16/1115: Commodity Clearance of maize TC1507 x MON810 x MIR162 x NK603	The EC approved the Pioneer-16/1115: Commodity Clearance of maize TC1507 x MON810 x MIR162 x NK603.	
6.9	Pioneer - 16/1117: Commodity Clearance of Maize TC1507xMIR604xNK603	The EC approved the Pioneer-16/1117: Commodity Clearance of Maize TC1507xMIR604xNK603	
6.10	Pioneer - 16/1118: Commodity Clearance of Maize	The EC approved the Pioneer-16/1118: Commodity Clearance of Maize TC1507xMON810xMIR604xNK603.	

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	TC1507xMON810xMIR604xNK603		
6.11	Pioneer - 16/1119: Commodity Clearance of Maize TC1507x59122xMON810xNK603	The EC approved the Pioneer-16/1119: Commodity Clearance of Maize TC1507x59122xMON810xNK603.	
6.12	Pioneer - 16/1120: Commodity Clearance of Maize TC1507x59122xMON810xMIR604xNK603	The EC approved the Pioneer-16/1120: Commodity Clearance of Maize TC1507x59122xMON810xMIR604xNK603.	
6.13	Monsanto - 16/1645: Commodity Clearance of Maize MON87427xMON89034x1507xMON88017x59122	The EC approved the Monsanto - 16/1645: Commodity Clearance of Maize MON87427xMON89034x1507xMON88017x59122.	
6.14	Monsanto - 16/1646: Commodity Clearance of Maize	The EC approved the Monsanto-16/1646: Commodity Clearance of Maize MON87460xMON89034xMON88017.	

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	MON87460xMON89034xMON88017		
6.15	Monsanto - 16/1647: Commodity Clearance of Maize MON87427xMON89034xNK603	The EC approved the Monsanto-16/1647: Commodity Clearance of Maize MON87427xMON89034xNK603.	
6.16	Monsanto - 16/1672: Commodity Clearance of Maize MON87427xMON89034xMIR162xNK603	The EC approved the Monsanto - 16/1672: Commodity Clearance of Maize MON87427xMON89034xMIR162xNK603.	
	New applications General Release	NONE	
7.	General		All
	Standing matters		
7.1	Regulatory and policy developments (All)		
7.2	Cartagena Protocol (DEA)	(i) The DEA informed EC that they are organizing a National Stakeholder preparatory meeting for COP-MOP 8 of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety scheduled for 07/10/2016. The invitation will be circulated to EC.	DEA

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7.3	Non-compliance	NONE	DAFF
	Other		
10	Date of the next meeting	The date for the next meeting is scheduled for 08 November 2016.	All
11	Closure	The meeting was concluded at 13:22.	All

Approved by Chairperson

Dr J Jaffha

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Signature

Approved by Registrar

Ms NL Mkhonza

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Signature