



## **U.S. Hop Industry Plant Protection Committee**

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Re: FSANZ Proposal M1010

I am writing on behalf of the US hop industry to thank FSANZ for proposing 19 new or adjusted hop MRLs in Proposal M1010. FSANZ was incredibly responsive to the US hop industry's needs in this announcement, and the permanent establishment of these MRLs in Australia will greatly benefit US hop growers and merchants, along with Australian hop importers and breweries.

FSANZ is proposing 19 new or adjusted hop MRLs for many priority crop protection products. All proposed MRLs are acceptable to the US hop industry.


We do note within that Australia is proposing a MRL for Sethoxydim on hops, dry at 0.5 ppm. This was not a priority request for the US hop industry, and we are not aware of a MRL for this compound on hops in the US. Perhaps this request came from another region.

The US hop industry has additional priorities for hop MRLs in Australia and plans to submit a supplemental list during the next submission window anticipated in February 2015. We also expect to send our MRL expert to Canberra next July to hopefully meet with your team to discuss Australian MRL plans. We will work through the US Embassy in Canberra to arrange that.

Thank you again for your responsiveness to the US hop industry request. Given the growth of craft brewing in Australia, there is significant interest in US hops at the moment. We anticipate growth in exports to your country. These new MRLs will ensure trade is not disrupted as the market develops.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you might have.

Best regards,

, Executive Director