

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING**  
**AQIS APPROVALS (OR IOA/LOAs)**

*At a recent Export Meat Industry Advisory Council (EMIAC) meeting, AQIS sought agreement to the proposal that AQIS withdraw from the chemical approval process and that the use of chemicals on export registered meat establishments be managed through each establishment's Approved Arrangement and through assurances provided by chemical manufacturers. This was agreed to by EMIAC.*

*AQIS is proposing that suppliers of chemicals to the export meat industry provide assurances to the industry through the use of a "declaration" regarding a chemical's fitness for use for specific purposes on export meat establishments.*

*PCOs will be aware that the Instruments of Approval (IOAs) or more recently Letters of Acceptance (LOAs) were issued for a period of 5 years after which they expire.*

*All IOAs and LOAs will remain in place until they expire.*

*AQIS will maintain the list of chemicals on the AQIS website and as the IOAs and LOAs expire they will be removed.*

*A date is yet to be set for this change over but AQIS anticipates that this may be achieved by the end of October 2011.*

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