

<b>Main Topic</b>	Export Certification Workgroup – Meeting
<b>Date:</b>	June 28, 2012
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## Agenda:

No.	Topic	Responsible
1.	<p><b>Phytosanitary Update</b></p> <p><b>Issue:</b></p> <p>Canada has notified the WTO about proposed changes to further regulate imports to prevent the presence of two regulated pests: Khapra Beetle (<i>Trogoderma granarium</i>) and Woolly Cup Grass (<i>Eriochloa villosa</i>).</p> <p><b>Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✚ George Galasso, Trade Director, Grain, will work with Julie Clapp to request an extension on the comment period. Industry, Stakeholders and PPQ will submit comments.</li> </ul>	<p>Mike Cooper</p> <p>George Galasso</p> <p>Terri Dunahay</p>
2.	<p><b>PCIT/PExD</b></p> <p>6.0 Release</p> <p>Digital Signatures</p> <p>Reports: Issue with accurate reports on PC #s for inspectors</p> <p>Important Notes and Messages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request for a recent updates alert page like used to be in Excerpt.</li> <li>• A daily/weekly alert to changes in a country's import requirements.</li> </ul> <p><b>Comments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✚ Please see attached for list 6.0 release information.</li> <li>✚ Continue to encourage folks to submit digital signatures</li> </ul>	<p>Marilyn Kinoshita</p> <p>Michael Perry</p> <p>Christian Dellis</p> <p>Julie Clapp</p>

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3.	<p><b>Argentina QA Number – Demonstration</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✚ The instruction document for using the Argentina import permit verification system is attached to the ECW minutes email. The system is used to validate import permits issued by Senasa, Argentina. If a Pre-Afidi document is presented, it must be validated using the electronic system; Afidi documents (with signature &amp; seal) are final documents which do not need specific validation (but may be validated in the electronic system if desired).</li> </ul>	Maggie Smither
4.	<p><b>APHIS EXPORT WORKSHOP and ECW Meeting</b></p> <p>APHIS PPQ and VS will hold a stakeholder workshop/meeting on November 14, 2012 in Riverdale, MD.</p> <p>ES would like to invite the ECW members to attend the workshop and have the October ECW meeting on November 13, 2012 in Riverdale, MD.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✚ Update - The export stakeholder workshop/meeting in Riverdale has been cancelled. Additional information will be discussed in the next ECW meeting.</li> </ul>	Michon Oubichon
5.	<p><b>Open Discussion</b></p> <p>Next Meeting August 30, 2012</p>	All

## Proposed Items for PCIT 6.0

### SCR's:

SCR 411: On View Processed Application, when viewing show applicant info like orgid and address.

SCR 413: Create a new banner for PCIT to refresh the PCIT look and accommodate the wider PCIT screens.

SCR 424: Increase the user messages to 1000 characters.

SCR 428: State Phyto for NH.

SCR 429: State Phyto for TN.

SCR 430: State Phyto for NJ.

SCR 433: Update URL for XPM.

### Report SCR's:

SCR 399: Remove the XML output option from all reports. Add a note about using Excel when the XML is removed.

SCR 402: Update S/C Fee Collection Report selection criteria - reverse order of Issue date dropdown.

SCR 425: Enable the CA SRO user to pull the CA Administrative Fee Collection report.

### Other Activities:

Richfaces page conversion.

### Defects:

Defect 1484: In PCIT Admin, View External Orgs, searching by Name or OrgID can produce different results.

Defect 1497: Trim concurrent spaces in the fee description when a SCFA adds a fee.

Defect 1498: AE has limited DS on a new app after a replacement request is submitted.

Defect 1499: When you cancel from MPA - Update State/County Info, you should return to Manage Certificate.

Defect 1500: S/C Cert. Processing Report doesn't show recently updated data.

Defect 1501: Monthly Export Report - Summary is more detailed than detail, needs some cleanup.

Defect 1502: In PCIT Admin - Manage USDA Internal, lack of page validation causes 404 not found error.

Defect 1503: When creating an app via template with a DM of Use Consignee Address, it shows that same text.

## Argentina Import Permit Verification System

An Argentinean import permit is referred to as an “Afidi”. There are two types of Afidi, a Pre-Afidi and an Afidi. The Pre-Afidi is used so that importers/representatives can print any application for a phytosanitary import authorization approved by Senasa’s Plant Quarantine Directorate, generating a Pre-Afidi that can be used for the upstream processing of phytosanitary certification. The Pre-Afidi provides the entry of all requisite trade information (importer, shipper, exporter, product, origin and phytosanitary requirements) for entry of the product into Argentina. Every printed Pre-Afidi (and Afidi) contains a unique identifier number called the CUVE number, which is located at the bottom center of the document. The CUVE number can be used to verify the approved status of a Pre-Afidi, and to validate an Afidi to verify regulations or other information related to the shipment.

The certifying country’s NPPO can check the validity of a Pre-Afidi or Afidi through the CUVE number using the online services on the following Senasa web page:

<https://aps2.senasa.gov.ar/vdc/faces/consulta.jsp>

Samples of a Pre-Afidi (printed document with requirements for import from electronic application) and Afidi (issued document with signature and seal with requirements for import) are on the following pages, as well as in the Supporting Documents section of PExD. Both documents are issued by Senasa.

\*A Pre-Afidi must be validated prior to using the document for phytosanitary certification. An Afidi (with signature and seal) can be validated through the system, but validation is not required for phytosanitary certification.

\*When recording the IP number on the phytosanitary certificate, reference the CUVE Number (bottom center of page). The N.AFIDI Number (top right corner of the page beginning with AR) does not need to be referenced on the phytosanitary certificate. Referencing the CUVE allows for remote access to the phytosanitary requirements of the shipment without the need of scanning the import permit into PCIT.

To validate a Pre-Afidi or Afidi:

1. Verify the document is issued by Senasa.
2. Locate the CUVE Number (bottom center of the page, 8 numbers).
3. Go to the following website: <https://aps2.senasa.gov.ar/vdc/faces/consulta.jsp>

This is an example of the webpage:

### Validar documento

Ingrese el código único de validación electrónica (CUVE), luego presione Consultar:

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4. Enter the CUVE Number into the text box and click “Consultar”.

5. Information regarding the shipment should match the printed Pre-Afidi or Afidi. Scroll to the last row on the document which is titled "Estado" (Status). The "Estado" for an approved Pre-Afidi is "Aprobado" (Approved). If the Pre-Afidi is in an approved status, one may use it as an import permit (Afidi) for phytosanitary certification. If the status is not "Aprobado" or if there is no record of the CUVE Number, do not use the Pre-Afidi or Afidi for phytosanitary certification. If the system does not verify an approved status one may submit the Afidi to Export Services for further review.

# ARGENTINA SAMPLE PRE-AFIDI



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## SAMPLE Pre-Afidi

N° AFIDI:                       
Fecha de aprobación: 21/09/2011  
Fecha de vencimiento: 17/06/2012

**No autoriza la liberación de la mercadería sin la intervención del SENASA**

<b>Nombre científico:</b> Triticum aestivum/T.sativum	<b>Nombre común:</b> Trigo pan
<b>País de Origen:</b> Estados Unidos	<b>País de procedencia:</b> Estados Unidos
<b>Parte Vegetal:</b> Semilla	<b>Acondicionamiento:</b> Caja
<b>Destino:</b> Propagación Común	<b>Presentación:</b> Natural
<b>Cantidad:</b> 50,00	<b>Unidad de peso:</b> Kilogramos
<b>Ingreso por:</b> <u>                    </u>	<b>Transporte:</b> Aereo
<b>Importador:</b> <u>                    </u>	<b>Despachante:</b> SOUTO MIGUEL
<b>Exportador:</b> <u>                    </u>	<b>Pto. embarque:</b> <u>                    </u>
<b>Código UP:</b> --	<b>Régimen:</b> Importación

Esta Autorización ampara la importación de la mercadería arriba descripta ÚNICAMENTE producida en ESTADOS UNIDOS la que deberá ajustarse a:

Requisitos mínimos de sanidad exigidos.

### Certificado Fitosanitario

Deberá constar como Declaración Adicional lo siguiente:

La partida se encuentra libre de: Trogoderma variabile.

Las semillas provienen de un área de producción que se encuentra libre o el cultivo fue oficialmente inspeccionado durante el período de crecimiento y encontrado libre y el envío se encuentra libre de: Tilletia indica.

La semilla proviene de un Área de producción que se encuentra Libre de o el cultivo fue oficialmente inspeccionado durante el período de crecimiento y encontrado Libre de: Striga spp.

La semilla proviene de un Área de producción que se encuentra Libre de o el cultivo fue oficialmente inspeccionado durante el período de crecimiento y encontrado Libre de o la partida se encuentra Libre mediante análisis de laboratorio de: Anguina tritici - Cirsium arvense.

El cultivo fue oficialmente inspeccionado durante el período de crecimiento y encontrado Libre de o la partida presenta 0% de Wheat streak mosaic virus, mediante análisis oficial.

Los análisis de laboratorio que respalden la certificación del envío deberán efectuarse en laboratorios pertenecientes a la Organización Nacional de Protección Fitosanitaria (ONPF) o acreditados por ésta. El material que compone el envío deberá provenir de un semillero que se encuentra bajo control fitosanitario oficial.

A la llegada, el envío será sometido a la inspección de rutina y se tomarán muestras del material para su posterior análisis en laboratorio por parte del SENASA.

El material que compone el envío deberá contar con la correspondiente autorización de INASE para su ingreso.

Estos requisitos fitosanitarios fueron aprobados por la Dirección de Cuarentena Vegetal

Solicitado por:                     

Aprobado por:                      Impreso por:                     

Fecha de solicitud: 21/09/2011 8.55 AM Fecha de aprobación: 21/09/2011 Fecha de impresión: 23/09/2011 10.37 AM

V: 2.4

CUVE N°                     

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N° AFIDI: [REDACTED]  
Fecha de aprobación: 13/12/2011  
Fecha de vencimiento: 11/02/2012

### Autorización Fitosanitaria de Importación

No autoriza la liberación de la mercadería sin la intervención del SENASA

Nombre científico: [REDACTED]	Nombre común: [REDACTED]
País de Origen: Canadá	País de procedencia: Estados Unidos
Parte Vegetal: Sin especificar	Acondicionamiento: Caja
Destino: Medio de crecimiento	Presentación: Natural
Cantidad:	Unidad de peso:
Ingreso por: Puerto de Buenos Aires	Transporte: Marítimo
Importador: [REDACTED]	Despachante: [REDACTED]
Exportador: BOELER INDUSTRIES	Pto. embarque:
Código UP: --	Régimen: Importación

Esta Autorización ampara la importación de la mercadería arriba descripta ÚNICAMENTE producida en CANADÁ la que deberá ajustarse a:

Requisitos mínimos de sanidad exigidos.

#### Certificado Fitosanitario

Deberá constar como Declaración Adicional lo siguiente:

La partida se encuentra libre mediante análisis de laboratorio de: *Hieracium pilosella* - *Euphorbia esula* - *Cirsium arvense* - *Leptinotarsa decemlineata* - *Ditylenchus destructor* - *Glabodera roslochianis* - *Glabodera pallida* - *Heterodera schachtii* - *Radopholus similis* - *Cricotomella* spp. (= *Criconemoides* spp.) - *Criconema* spp. - *Pratylenchus* spp. - *Tylenchortyynchus* spp. - *Crossonema* spp. - *Paratylenchus* spp. - *Rotylenchus fallaxobustus* - *Ogma* spp. - *Pythium splendens*.

Los análisis de laboratorio que respalden la certificación del envío deberán efectuarse en laboratorios pertenecientes a la Organización Nacional de Protección Fitosanitaria (ONPF) o acreditados por ésta. La partida deberá estar totalmente libre de tierra. El material que acompaña el envío deberá provenir de una tumba que se encuentra bajo control fitosanitario oficial. A la llegada la mercadería será sometida a la inspección de rutina y se tomarán muestras del material para su posterior análisis en laboratorio por parte del SENASA.



Ing. Agr. MARÍA TERESA PRALACIN  
INGENIERA AGRÓNOMA  
Fecha de emisión: 13/12/2011 12:00 PM  
Y CALIDAD AGROALIMENTARIA

Estos requisitos fitosanitarios fueron aprobados por la  
Cuarentena Vegetal  
Solicitado por: [REDACTED]  
Aprobado por: [REDACTED]  
Fecha de solicitud: [REDACTED]



# Phytosanitary Update

## Phytosanitary Certification Update

Canada has notified the WTO about proposed changes to further regulate imports to prevent the presence of two regulated pests: Khapra Beetle (*Trogoderma granarium*) and Woolly Cup Grass (*Eriochloa villosa*).

Canada is proposing that imports (even for re-export) of all grains, oilseeds, pulse crops and forages (HS Codes 0703; 1001 – 1008; 1201-1209) including the seed for sowing, be accompanied by phytosanitary certificates stating that the shipment has been inspected and is free of Khapra Beetle and Woolly Cup Grass. If the shipment originates from an area where these regulated pests do not exist, the declaration can state that the shipment originates from a region that is free of the pest(s).

Specifically around Khapra Beetle, CSTA staff pointed out that much of our seed imports are from areas where the Khapra Beetle does not exist – primarily the United States. We also questioned the need for phytosanitary declarations when the pest is already a quarantine regulated pest under the Plant Protection Act. CFIA indicated that in the interests of preserving Canada/U.S. Trade, it is considering accepting a certificate of analysis instead of a phytosanitary certificate on seed shipments from the United States only. However there are still concerns around seed imported in very small lots for research and other purposes, and for seed that enters as “not finally certified”. We will keep you posted.

Woolly Cup Grass is a “pilot” of a plan by the CFIA Invasive Plant Species group to establish import regulatory requirements for all 10 of the plants that have been identified as invasive species under the Plant Protection Act. All of the invasive species (including Woolly cup grass) are listed as prohibited noxious weeds in the Weed Seeds Order that is part of the Seeds Regulations. We raised the same questions about the need for phytos on a weed that is already a quarantine regulated pest. CFIA responded that, as with the Khapra Beetle, the plan is to require statements on phytosanitary certificates that the shipment has been inspected and is free of Woolly cup grass, or originates from a region that is free of Woolly cup grass, for all countries except seed from the United States where CFIA is considering that a certificate of analysis may suffice.

CSTA is considering making comments to the CFIA and then the WTO on these proposals, but we first need to hear from our members.

- Are these additional declarations a trade barrier?
- Will they present additional costs?
- Will they cause transportation delays?
- Are there any other questions, comments, or concerns that we should be raising with CFIA?

Additional notes:

In keeping with the new “1 for 1” rule established as part of CFIA’s regulatory reform proposals, the CFIA is considering balancing these new regulation with the planned de-regulation of the Soybean Cyst Nematode.

CSTA has also learned that CFIA has essentially given up its efforts to get China to recognize alfalfa seed from Saskatchewan as free of verticillium wilt. As you will recall, China requires that all alfalfa seed originating from Saskatchewan be treated with fungicide. China still currently accepts seed from Northern Alberta and Manitoba with accompanying lab tests.

This is still a policy objective of the CSTA. Is it still a high priority for CSTA member companies? If so, we will increase the pressure on the CFIA.