Department of Primary Industry and Resources

Hemp Industry Bill 2019

List of stakeholders consulted during development of the Hemp Industry Bill 2019 (serial 91)

During development of the Hemp Industry Bill 2019 the Department of Primary Industry and Resources ('DPIR' or 'the Department') consulted with the following NT Government agencies:

- The Department of the Chief Minister (DCM);
- The Department of Trade, Business and Innovation (DTBI);
- The Department of Attorney General and Justice (AGD);
- The Department of Treasury and Finance (DTF);
- Northern Territory Police, Fire and Emergency Services (NTPFES).
- The Department of Health (DoH); and
- The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

In addition, DPIR consulted with the President of the *Northern Territory Civil and Administrative Tribunal* (NTCAT) with respect to utilising NTCAT as the jurisdictional review body for administrative decisions made under specified provisions in the Bill.

Stakeholders outside of Government, consulted by DPIR about developing a legislative framework to regulate an industrial hemp industry in the NT, are detailed below.

- Northern Territory Farmers Association
- Regional Development Australia
- WA Department of Primary Industry and Regional Development
- Qld Department of Agriculture and Fisheries
- Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Water and Environment
- NSW Department of Primary Industries
- SA Department of Primary Industries and Regions

- NSW Food Authority
- Southern Cross University
- Hemp Foods Australia (NSW)
- EcoLife Science Research Foundation (Qld)
- EcoFibre Ltd (Qld)
- The Hydroponics Company Ltd (Qld)
- Agri Fibre Industries Pty Ltd (Qld)
- Food Fibre and Land International
 Group Pty Ltd (WA)
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Private sector stakeholders provided information around industry operations, economics, and matters that should be considered in developing workable and effective regulatory arrangements. Support exists for the NT putting in place its own regulatory framework for industrial hemp.

In particular, both the NTFA and Regional Development Australia were supportive of the intent of the proposed legislation and the additional options it may provide for NT primary producers.

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