



Australian Government
**Australian Pesticides and
Veterinary Medicines Authority**

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Ms Louise Holton
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Dear Ms Holton

APVMA decision on bromadiolone emergency use permit in NSW

Thank you for your letter of 31 August 2021 to Ms Lisa Croft, Chief Executive Officer of the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) regarding the proposed use of bromadiolone in New South Wales, Australia. Ms Croft has asked me to respond on her behalf.

The APVMA is the independent statutory authority responsible for assessing and registering agricultural and veterinary chemicals proposed for supply in Australia. All products registered by the authority have been assessed against the statutory criteria of safety – to people, animals and the environment, efficacy and, where appropriate, trade.

On 23 June 2021 the APVMA advised the New South Wales Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI) of our intention to refuse an emergency permit application seeking to use bromadiolone in crops, in response to the mouse plague, on the grounds that it did not meet safety requirements, specifically in relation to residues and the environment. This included the risk of secondary poisoning to non-target animals, such as birds, freshwater fish and reptiles.

NSW DPI had 28 days to respond to the APVMA's proposed decision. The APVMA did not receive a response to the proposed decision and on 22 July 2021 we issued a notice to NSW DPI refusing the application.

For more information on this matter, along with information on our assessment process, I recommend you visit the [APVMA website](#).

I appreciate you taking the time to write to us on this important matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rachel Chay'.

Dr Rachel Chay
Executive Director, Registration Management