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**Subject: REVIEW OF THE REFERENCE DOCUMENT ON BEST AVAILABLE TECHNIQUES FOR INTENSIVE REARING OF POULTRY AND PIGS**

Dear IEF Members,

This letter is to inform you that the European IPPC Bureau is starting the review process for the **Intensive Rearing of Poultry and Pigs (IRPP) BREF**.

The first step to start the review is to reactivate the technical working group (TWG). To do this, we need to confirm that the experts currently on the European IPPC Bureau database for the previous ILF BREF, now the IRPP BREF, are indeed the ones that will participate in the review. Some of these experts may have changed positions or companies.

It would therefore be appreciated if you could, **by 18 April 2008** at the latest:

1. review the TWG members whose nominations are your responsibility and confirm whether or not they continue to be your nominated TWG members. Please also confirm that the contact details (telephone, e-mail, etc.) of your nominated TWG members are correct.
2. submit the details of any new TWG members that you wish to nominate. This is particularly important for EU countries that were not represented in the elaboration of the original BREF. We would like to draw your attention to the fact that, TWG members have not been nominated from the following Member States: Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Romania, Slovakia, and Slovenia.

To facilitate this process, with this letter you will find the list of current TWG members for the IRPP BREF in ANNEX 1. We kindly ask you to send confirmation of any TWG nominations and of any new or change in contact details to the following address:

[JRC-IPTS-EIPPCB@ec.europa.eu](mailto:JRC-IPTS-EIPPCB@ec.europa.eu).

#### **Next step after reactivating the TWG**

Once reactivated, the TWG will be sent a request to provide a list of 'wishes' for the review of the IRPP BREF. This list should cover new and available information that the TWG would like to gather and to provide. We anticipate that these wishes will be based on the emerging techniques and concluding remarks of the original BREF as well as on

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new and available information in particular on techniques, and consumption and emission levels. The TWG could also express wishes to expand the scope of the original BREF or to include processes not originally covered.

### **Main steps for the review of the IRPP BREF**

The main steps for the review of the BREF will follow the outline of the 'Generic schedule for the review of BREFs' agreed at the IEF meeting held in November 2005. These main steps are:


1. **Reactivation of the TWG**
2. Call for wishes (next step, see above)
3. Kick-off meeting (October 2008)
4. Submission of information
5. TWG meeting to discuss the information submitted
6. Draft of the revised BREF
7. TWG comments on the draft
8. Final TWG meeting
9. Final draft.

As a reminder, the original work on the ILF BREF, now the IRPP BREF, was conducted between 1999 and 2002 and the BREF was formally adopted by the Commission in July 2003. The review of the IRPP BREF will be the ninth one launched following the reviews of the BREFs on Cement and Lime, Iron and Steel, Pulp and Paper, Glass, Non Ferrous Metals, Tanning of Hides and Skins, Common Waste Waters and Waste Gas Treatment and Management Systems in the Chemical Sector and Mineral Oil and Gas Refineries.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter or on the review of the IRPP BREF, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Bianca Maria Scalet by phone on +34 954 488 453 or by e-mail: [bianca-maria.scalet@ec.europa.eu](mailto:bianca-maria.scalet@ec.europa.eu)

Please remember to send confirmation of all TWG nominations and new contact details to [JRC-IPTS-EIPPCB@ec.europa.eu](mailto:JRC-IPTS-EIPPCB@ec.europa.eu) **by 18 April 2008** at the latest.

Yours sincerely,

  
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Enclosures: Annex 1: list of current TWG members for the IRPP BREF

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