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Invitation to comment on a field trial of genetically modified white clover

The Gene Technology Regulator is assessing an application from PTM Solutions Australia Pty Ltd to conduct a field trial of white clover genetically modified for increased condensed tannins in leaves. The trial is proposed to take place at up to four sites per year, with a maximum total area of one hectare per year, over five and a half years. Sites will be selected from 117 local government areas in NSW, Vic., Qld and WA. The GM white clover grown in this field trial would not be used for human food or animal feed.

The Regulator has prepared a Risk Assessment and Risk Management Plan (RARMP) for this application and welcomes written submissions on issues relating to the protection of human health and safety and the environment prior to making a decision on whether or not to issue the licence. The consultation RARMP and related information can be obtained via the contacts below. Submissions should reference DIR 176 and be received by 5 January 2021.

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