

## Plan for the implementation of NAPPO Standards

### 1. Name of Standard

*RSPM No. 27: Importation and Confined Field Release of Transgenic Arthropods in NAPPO Member Countries.*

### 2. Country Reporting

Mexico

### 3. Relevant Authority

#### 3.1 Current Authority

3.1.1 Legislative Authority: Yes. Biosafety and Genetically Modified Organisms Act (Ley de Bioseguridad y Organismos Genéticamente Modificados). Relevant Ministries: Health; Ministry of Agriculture, Farming, Rural Development, Fishing and Food (SAGARPA); Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT); and Ministry of Finances (SHCP). Plant Protection Federal Act. Relevant authority: SAGARPA.

3.1.2 Regulatory Authority: there is no current regulation; the Biosafety and Genetically Modified Organisms Act is presently being developed and published. There is no official Mexican standard.

#### 3.2 Revision to the authority

3.2.1 An official Mexican Standard will have to be developed to include the requirements contained in RSPM No.27 in order to comply with the specified provisions. In accordance with the Biosafety Act, the relevant authority requests that corresponding notices be issued when an importation is only intended for confined use.

### 4. Obtaining Authority to Adopt the Standard

No changes to Act or Regulations are required. The development of the standard is concurrent with the development of necessary instruments for the implementation of the act.

### 5. Implementation of Standard

The Biosafety Act contains a notice form for the importation of genetically modified organisms intended for confinement, as well as the permit form for the following three release methods of GMOs: experimental, pilot program, and commercial. By obtaining this permit, the import permit is also fulfilled.

Activity	Estimated completion date
The implementation of these guidelines entails the development of the official Mexican standard.	Conclusion of this process is expected by December 2009.
It is necessary to develop notice forms for imports intended for confined use.	These forms are expected to be concluded during 2007.