NAPPO Standards Implementation Plan

1. Name of Standard

RSPM 26, Guidelines for certification of commercial arthropod biological control agents moving into NAPPO member countries

2. Country Reporting

United States

3. Relevant Authority

- 3.1 Current authority
 - A. Legislative authority: Yes, Plant Protection Act.
 - B. Regulatory authority: Yes, but revisions will be necessary.
- 3.2 Revisions to authority

Revision to regulations for the movement of biological control agents will be needed to ensure that exports comply with the provisions for the production and phytosanitary conditions outlined in the Standard.

4. Obtaining Authority to Adopt the Standard

No changes to the Plant Protection Act are required. Authority exists under Title 7 USC 7718 'Certification for exports'.

A revision of the Code of Federal Regulations, 7 CFR 330.200-212, will be required in the long term.

5. Implementation of Standard

Activity	Estimated Completion Date
Development of a Regulatory Workplan outlining proposed procedures and regulatory changes covering 'certification for exports' of commercial arthropod biological control agents.	2010-12
Consultation with the public on matters involving regulatory revisions.	2012-13
Revision of regulations to cover 'certification for exports'.	2013
Implementation of regulation change covering 'certification for exports'.	2014