



CropLife submission to the agvet review draft report

CropLife, with the support of the Crop Protection Committee, has completed its comprehensive response to the Draft Report of the Independent review of the agvet chemical regulatory framework.

While CropLife has been nominally positive in its public comments to date and commends the Panel for their objective to identify structural and procedural gaps and inefficiencies in the current regulatory environment, we have serious and significant concerns with large parts of the Draft Report and strongly oppose many of the 139 proposed recommendations.

CropLife is pleased that the Draft Report reiterated principles relating to maintaining an independent, science-based, objective and risk-based regulatory system, which is nationally consistent and adaptative to new technologies, practices and science. Additionally, the aspirations for increased access to new, novel and efficacious technologies are welcomed by CropLife.

CropLife opposes the proposal to introduce a Commissioner for Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Stewardship, given that a substantial number of the Panel's recommendations do not address or evaluate procedural barriers and inefficiencies, instead recommending an additional layer of bureaucracy and oversight be appointed ministerially to bypass existing structures and procedures.

The full submission capturing the breadth of CropLife's comments and concerns can be found [here](#).

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