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Dear Stuart Hamlett

## Regional Pest Management Plan Exemption to Rules relating to Containment - M : BIO-RPMP-000003

Recently you advised us you wished to seek an exemption from our Regional Pest Management Plan (RPMP) to allow the display of possums and wallabies. The transportation and display of pests classified under the RPMP for the Bay of Plenty is technically an offence under the Biosecurity Act 1993. These pests are subject to following rules contained within the RPMP:

Wallabies: RPMP E(2), E(3), E(4), E(5) Possums: RPMP G(1), G(2), G(3)

Section 78 of the Biosecurity Act 1993 allows a Regional Council to exempt a person from a requirement of a rule. In considering your case for exemptions to rules of the RPMP we are satisfied that:

- Your proposed actions will not significantly prejudice the attainment of the RPMP's objectives.
- The prescribed requirements are clearly unreasonable or inappropriate in your particular case.

Given this, I grant Stuart Hamlett and their agents exemptions to rule of the RPMP subject to the following conditions outlined in the attached exemption.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the conditions we propose, please feel free contact me on 0800 884 881 Extn 7574 or email me at Shane.Grayling@boprc.govt.nz.

Yours faithfully

Shane Grayling Biosecurity Team Leader