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Dear Ian

Ted Roberts tells me you are due back from holiday mid-week, so maybe this will be there for you when you get back!

As you know, I have a long standing interest in getting a bee repellent into 1080 jam bait preparations. I feel we have been stalled and fobbed off for so long it is becoming almost expected!

I have recently been doing some more 'pushing' and would like to involve you in your role as NBA representative on the Pesticides Board. I am aware that a year ago, for the March 1993 meeting, you were prepared to move that the label restrictions for 1080 be changed to give 4 km clearance from any registered beehive. My understanding is that was sidelined by the intention of the Animal Health Board to complete work on a bee repellent by the end of June 1993.

I am enclosing three items with this letter. One is an updated chronology of all the materials I am aware of related to all of our endeavours to solve the problem of 1080 jam baits. Some of the items described would probably not be entirely suitable for wide public discussion...

Next, I enclose a recent reply from Mr Ross Meurant, the Under Secretary for Agriculture and Forestry. In it, he reiterates the important role the Pesticides Board plays in this whole affair.

Finally, I enclose a three page summary of the work of the last year. I have tried to keep my own 'editorialising' to a minimum in the body of the report, allowing the public record to speak for itself. I would suggest that these three pages could form the supporting evidence for either (1) extension to label distance requirements or (more hopefully) (2) the immediate incorporation of IVA into 1080 jam formulations.

I have supplied copies of the same material to the NBA, so they are aware of my approach to you.

Please let me know if you would like additional substantiation/documentation. I look forward to hearing how you get on, should you decide the material I have supplied is appropriate.

Sincerely yours

Nick Wallingford