Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer ProtectionBen Brancel, Secretary

DATE: April 27, 2016

TO: Wisconsin Legislative Council

Rule Clearinghouse

1 East Main Street, Room 401

Madison, WI 53702

FROM: Karley Downing, Chief Legal Counsel

SUBJECT: Mountain Pine Beetle Exterior Quarantine; Hearing Draft Rule

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ("Department") is referring the above rule for Rules Clearinghouse review, pursuant to s. 227.15, Stats. The Department Board has approved this rule for public hearing; dates for public hearings have been set for June 8 in Madison and Wausau. The proposed hearing draft rule, business impact analysis, and fiscal estimate are attached.

The Department's internal rulemaking docket for this rule is Docket No. 15-R-01. If you have any questions regarding this rule, you may contact Renee Pinski, Division of Agricultural Resource Management at 608-224-4745, or Karley Downing, Chief Legal Counsel at 608-224-5022.

Enclosures

CC: Legislative Reference Bureau

Department of Administration (State Budget Office)

DATCP Rulemaking Docket File 15-R-01