



10 December 2008

Dear Colleague,

Seminars on Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) – Regulatory & Technical Aspects

In response to requests from industry, arrangements have been made to conduct a series of seminars dealing with issues arising since the introduction in May 2007 of the current *Australian Code of Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) for Veterinary Chemical Products* and other GMP-related matters.

Accordingly, the Veterinary Manufacturers and Distributors Association (VMDA) and APVMA invite members of your company to attend a one-day GMP seminar covering topics of practical interest to manufacturers.

A consultant auditor, *Mr Ian Wheatley* will present a session on GMP requirements and technical issues, and staff from the APVMA's GMP Section will provide information on regulatory and operational aspects. The seminar will also briefly discuss the operation of the Overseas GMP Scheme for imported vet products.

Manufacturers may recall that earlier this year the APVMA asked industry for suggestions for topics that may be covered in any future seminars by way of its Zoomerang Survey. The Associations have also responded separately. The **attached** program has taken account these suggestions. Participants are encouraged to provide any further specific questions for discussion ahead of the seminars by email to Rheannon McNeil at the APVMA - rheannon.mcneil@apvma.gov.au.

The Fee for the seminar is \$132 (inclusive of GST) per person, including lunch and morning and afternoon teas. I am sure you will agree that the cost is extremely reasonable.

Dates and Venues are 8.30 a.m. for a **9.00 a.m. start** are as follows:

- **3 February 2009 (Tuesday) in SYDNEY: St George Masonic Club, 86 Roberts Avenue, Mortdale NSW 2223.**
- **10 February 2009 (Tuesday) in MELBOURNE: Department of Primary Industries, 475 Mickleham Rd, Attwood Vic 3049.**
- **18 February 2009 (Wednesday) in BRISBANE: Nudgee Golf Club, 1207 Nudgee Road Nudgee Qld 4014.**
- **25 February 2009 (Wednesday) in PERTH: Trinity Conference & Accommodation Centre, 230 Hampden Road, Crawley, WA 6009**

Registrations for the selected venue should be provided to me by fax on the attached registration form/Tax Invoice by **C.O.B. Thursday 29 January 2009** for **Sydney** and **Melbourne** and **C.O.B Thursday 12 February 2009** for Brisbane and Perth **at the latest**. Please provide your payment(s) at the same time including your email address.

Yours faithfully

Bob Schufft
Executive Director