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which has been modified by in vitro techniques.

Organism:

- a) does not include a human being.
- b) includes a human cell.
- c) includes a micro-organism.
- d) includes a genetic structure, other than a human cell, that is capable of replicating itself, whether that structure comprises all or only part of an entity, and whether it comprises all or only part of the total genetic structure of an entity.
- e) includes an entity (other than a human being) declared to be an organism for the purposes of the Biosecurity Act 1993
- f) Includes a reproductive cell or developmental stage of an organism.

Audience:

All staff.

Relevant Legislation:

Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996.

Biosecurity Act 1993.

Legal Compliance:

All GMOs or work involving GMOs must be approved by EPA (or duly authorised agent) prior to commencement of work as required by Part 5, Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996.

Related Procedures:

Restricted Organisms and Biological Products Procedure Infectious and Pathogenic or Zoonotic Organisms Procedure

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