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To: DMF individual Donors, Club Donors, Feds and Assoc Donors

Re: Availability of Rota Virus (RV) vaccine

The ANRPB has recently provided up to date information to flyers/fanciers about the progress of vaccine development and manufacture.

In brief the current situation is that Treidlia (a Sydney based commercial laboratory) is in the process of turning research-based vaccine into commercially-based vaccine.

The ANRPB is acutely aware that most flyers and fanciers will want immediate access to the vaccine. To this end, the ANRPB has negotiated an initial ‘supply’ arrangement with Treidlia along these lines:

* Initial supply to base line test lofts (free from RV infection of RV ‘poo’ vaccination) and individual flyer/fancier DMF donors
* Balance of initial supply to clubs, feds and assoc DMF donors
* Final supply to any other flyer/fancier

The reason for the initial supply to individual DMF donors is to thank them for their response and personal donations.

All this relies on Treidlia being able to get the response from the drug regulating authorities to supply individuals/clubs/feds and assoc directly without veterinary prescription – the application(s) are being processed and the ANRPB has provided a cover letter recommending that course of action.

In addition to the above details, it will be significant benefit to the ANRPB, clubs, feds and assoc to know more about the overall flyer/fancier/pigeon data in each state.

To this end, the ANRPB requests individuals/clubs/feds/assoc to complete the following questionnaire – initially the results will help Treidlia to prepare suitable volumes of the RV vaccine, but longer term will provide a base line of knowledge about pigeon fanciers/lofts and pigeons in Australia. The results will be published by the ANRPB but will not contain individual flyer/fancier details - only numerical data – confidentiality will be respected.

In sending this questionnaire to individuals, clubs, feds, assoc, please (in the first instant) provide names of the flyer/fancier, so that any double up of information can be removed from the data. For publication, all names will be removed as noted above.

The ANRPB appreciates your consideration.

Thanks and regards

David Walker, Secretary ANRPB – email to dcw010445@gmail.com

**ANRPB Questionnaire**

**Part A – Essential for Vaccine distribution**

Name of Flyer/Fancier \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Fed or Assoc \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Do you intend to purchase the RV vaccine Yes / No

If so, how many pigeons 50 / 100 / 150 / 200 /? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have access to a Vet? Yes / No (this in case permit for general distribution is not available)

**Part B – Good information for clubs/feds/assoc in Australia**

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| Age of flyer |  |
| Period of time keeping pigeons |  |
| Type of pigeons – race or fancy |  |
| Number of stock pigeons in loft(s) |  |
| Number of race pigeons |  |
| Number of pigeons bred yearly |  |
| Has your loft been infected by Rota Virus |  |
| How many pigeons have died or been destroyed due to Rota Virus in your loft |  |
| Did you race or show pigeons during 2017 |  |
| Has your loft been treated with ‘Poo” vac |  |
| After vaccination with ‘Poo’ vac or after RV infection, how many pigeons died or became ill in the next twelve months |  |
| If your pigeons were infected with RV, did you consult a vet for confirmation |  |
| Do you routinely vaccine for PMV each twelve months |  |
| If so, which group? | StockRaceYoung |
| Do you routinely consult a vet for advice pigeon illness |  |
| Do you purchase veterinary drugs for the prevention of illness |  |
| Do you purchase veterinary drugs if illness is diagnosed |  |
| Do you purchase supplements for general pigeon health |  |

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**Confidentiality will be observed – all names removed from published data.**