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**Decision to issue licence DIR 158 to GO Resources Pty Ltd for
the commercial release of GM safflower**

The Regulator has issued licence DIR 158, authorising the commercial release of safflower genetically modified for high oleic acid composition.

The release is authorised to take place throughout Australia. The GM safflower and products derived from the GM safflower may enter general commerce, for use in industrial oil production and animal feed. There is no intention to use the GM safflower in human food.

Both the risk assessment and risk management plan (RARMP) and the licence were finalised taking into account input received during consultation with the public, State and Territory governments, Australian Government agencies, the Minister for the Environment, the Gene Technology Technical Advisory Committee and local councils. The Regulator thanks submitters for their contributions.

The finalised RARMP concludes that this commercial release poses negligible risks to people and the environment and does not require specific risk treatment measures. However, general licence conditions have been imposed to ensure ongoing oversight of the release.

The finalised RARMP, a summary of the RARMP, the Licence, and Questions and Answers about this decision, can be obtained online from the [DIR 158](#) page of the Office of the Gene Technology Regulator's website or requested via the contacts detailed below.

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