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To Whom it May Concern;

Last year I spoke to one of your personnel in relation to obtaining some D-Ter animal and Bird repellent for a trial on goannas. Unfortunately I have lost your contacts name, however I was sent 1kg of D-Ter to trial and the results obtained were extremely positive.

Five different study sites were used to determine the effectiveness of D-Ter animal and bird repellent on goannas. All sites were chicken pens experiencing problems with goannas ranging from juveniles to adolescence. The results obtained showed a 100% decrease in goannas raiding the chicken pens.

I would like to further experiment with your product on other native animals to determine its effectiveness therefore if possible can you send me more D-Ter and a Material Safety Data Sheet on the product.

Thankyou for your assistance

Yours sincerely

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Discussion Re: D-TER Animal & Bird Repellent trial on Goannas  
report dated 13.2.2001

1. 1 - 2 metre wide sprays were made around the chicken pens.
2. The chickens were free range chickens. In the first trial a full perimeter spray was done. The next morning the chickens left the pen but would not return later in the day due to the D-TER barrier across the pathway.
3. Therefore a metre wide passage way was made and the chickens moved freely in and out. All further tests were carried out leaving an opening in the perimeter spray adjacent to the doorway and there was no further problem.
4. The Q.P.& W.S. call them 'rogue' goannas. They are arboreal and finding a source of food, e.g. eggs, they take up residence in a suitable tree and are "almost unstoppable".
5. One farmer was regularly receiving visits from 2 - 3 Goannas.
6. One or two of the farmers had seen the Goannas approach the sprayed area. In each case they had lifted their heads and immediately hightailed it.



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