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**MATTERS TO BE RESOLVED CONCERNING TEST GUIDELINES AOPTED BY THE
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

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1. At its forty-sixth sessions, held in Geneva from March 22 to 24, 2010, the Technical Committee (TC) agreed the adoption of the Test Guidelines for Buddleja on the basis of document TG/BUDDL(proj.7), subject to the amendments set out in document TC/46/16 “Report”, paragraph 182, and changes to document TG/BUDDL(proj.6), proposed by the Enlarged Editorial Committee, at its meeting on January 7, 2010, which had already been incorporated in the draft Test Guidelines (document TG/BUDDL(proj.7)) submitted to the TC (see document TC/46/16 “Report”, Annex III).

2. Subsequent to the forty-sixth session of the TC, the Leading Expert proposed to amend the explanation of characteristic 29 “Time of beginning of flowering” as follows:

Current wording of Ad. 29:

“The time of beginning of flowering is when all plants have at least 50% of flowers open.”

Proposed new wording of Ad. 29:

“The time of flowering is when all plants have approximately 50% of inflorescences showing approximately 50% of open flowers.”

3. Subject to agreement by the Technical Working Party for Ornamental Plants and Forest Trees, at its forty-fourth session, to be held in Fukuyama City, Hiroshima Prefecture, Japan from November 7 to 11, 2011, the Test Guidelines for Buddleja will be published with the proposed new wording for Ad. 29.

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