

# The British Beekeepers Association

*BBKA – supporting bees and beekeepers*



23rd January 2013

Dear Member

The BBKA has been awaiting the publication of reports from the European Food Standards Authority on the risk of three neonicotinoid insecticides to honeybees, bumble and solitary bees.

These reports have now been published and the attached statement sets out our understanding of the situation and our expectations of the government and regulatory authorities to ensure the safety and well-being of our honeybees.

We will be closely monitoring their actions and making representations where appropriate.

I would be grateful if you could make the statement available to all your members. It can also be read on the BBKA website.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'David Aston'.

Dr David Aston NDB  
Chairman BBKA