

16 March 1999

ANIMAL QUARANTINE POLICY MEMORANDUM 1999/22

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Animal Programs Section, AQIS Operations
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Animal and Plant Health Branch, BRS
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Agricultural Counsellor, Tokyo
Australian Dairy Industry Council
EU Delegation, Canberra

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National Farmers' Federation
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Australian Animal Health Council
Australian Veterinary Association
Australian Livestock Exporters' Council
National Meat Association of Australia
Chief Veterinary Officer, MAF RA, NZ
Australian Registered Cattle Breeders' Association

ADOPTION OF REVISED ANIMAL QUARANTINE POLICY ON BOVINE SPONGIFORM ENCEPHALOPATHY (BSE)

Details of revised animal quarantine policy on BSE were circulated as AQPM 1999/09 on 10 February 1999. No appeals against the process followed by this IRA were received by 11 March 1999 and the attached policy was adopted on 16 March 1999.

The following import conditions included BSE certification and have been amended in accordance with the new policy:

- Bovine semen from Member States of the European Union, Canada, Norway, Switzerland and New Caledonia, and
- Bovine embryos from the USA, Zimbabwe, the Republic of South Africa, Member States of the European Union, Norway, Switzerland and New Caledonia, and
- Cattle from the USA.

Thank you for your assistance with the revision of this animal quarantine policy.

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STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK TO AQIS

AQIS's new import risk analysis process and associated consultative arrangements are well into their first year of implementation. We would appreciate your feedback on those arrangements and would be grateful if you would take a few minutes to fill in this survey and mail it to AQIS.

The form is self addressed and does not need a stamp if posted in Australia. Simply fold at the dotted lines and staple so that the "reply paid" face is on the outside.

1. Are you receiving all the information on animal quarantine policy that you wish to see?
(please circle) Yes No

Comment:
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2. Is the information you receive from AQIS generally clear, complete and accurate?
(please circle) Yes No

(fold).....

Comment:
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3. How could AQIS improve arrangements for providing information on animal quarantine policy to clients?

Comment:
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Name:

Company/Organisation:

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