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**SPECIAL** 

## **Livestock Disease Control Act 1994**

NOTICE OF ORDER

Order Declaring a Control Area for Newcastle Disease and Prohibitions on the entry of Domestic Chickens into Victoria

I, Bob Cameron, Minister for Agriculture give notice of the making of an Order under Section 29 of the **Livestock Disease Control Act 1994** declaring the whole of Victoria to be a Control Area in respect of the exotic disease *Newcastle disease*, specifying the requirements which are to operate in the Control Area and prohibiting the entry of domestic chicken (*Gallus domesticus*) into the control area under specified circumstances.

The Order specifies requirements for the owners of commercial poultry flocks in Victoria to vaccinate chickens for Newcastle Disease.

The Order also prohibits the entry of domestic chickens into Victoria for inclusion in a commercial poultry flock unless the chickens have been vaccinated in accordance with the requirements set out in the Order and are accompanied by a vendor declaration attesting to vaccination status unless the chickens are introduced in accordance with an authority approved by the Manager Animal Health Operations, Department of Primary Industries.

The Order has effect for 12 months from 1 April 2003 unless continued for any further period or periods.

A copy of the Order may be obtained by telephoning the office of the Chief Veterinary Officer on (03) 9217 4246.

Dated 31 March 2003

BOB CAMERON MP Minister for Agriculture

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