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Livestock Disease Control Act 1994

NOTICE OF ORDER

Order Declaring a Control Area for the Purposes of Ruminants that have Consumed Restricted Animal Material and for Sheep and Goat Identification

I, Joe Helper, Minister for Agriculture, give notice of an Order under section 29 of the **Livestock Disease Control Act 1994**, declaring the State of Victoria to be a control area in respect of the exotic disease Spongiform Encephalopathies and specifying the requirements which are to operate in the control area for ruminants that have consumed Restricted Animal Material (RAM) and for sheep and goat identification.

The Order provides for the identification of ruminants that have consumed RAM and for the notification of information regarding ruminants that have consumed RAM to the purchaser, to a livestock inspector, to PrimeSafe and to the Australian Quarantine Inspection Service. The Order also provides for the identification of sheep and goats born after 1 January 2006 before they are dispatched to another property or saleyard or to an abattoir, other than for an over the hooks sale. It also requires the provision of a National Vendor Declaration for any sheep or goats that are to be consigned to another property, saleyard or abattoir.

The Order has effect for twelve months from the date of this notice 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 4248.

Dated 21 November 2007

JOE HELPER, MP
Minister for Agriculture

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