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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>AUSTRALIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Resources
<b>3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> High pressure processed chicken meat
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Report on the assessment of the scientific aspects of high pressure processing as an equivalent risk management measure to heat treatments in the <i>Generic import risk analysis report for chicken meat: final import risk analysis report</i> (2008). <b>Language(s):</b> . <b>Number of pages:</b> <a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/risk-analysis/animal">http://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/risk-analysis/animal</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (the department) has released a draft report on its assessment of high pressure processing (HPP) of chicken meat as an alternative risk management measure to the heat treatments in the department's <i>Generic import risk analysis report for chicken meat: final report 2008</i> (chicken meat IRA).  The draft report has concluded that HPP of chicken meat is not considered to be a suitable alternative risk management measure to the heat treatments in the chicken meat IRA.  Stakeholder submissions are sought regarding the scientific aspects of the assessment.  The department intends to release a final report on HPP of chicken meat following consideration of submissions received in response to the draft report.  The draft report can be accessed via <a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/risk-analysis/animal">http://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/risk-analysis/animal</a> .
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.

8.	<p><b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2015); Section 5 - Trade Measures, Import/Export Procedures and Veterinary Certification</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
9.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 17 April 2019</p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 June 2019</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
13.	<p><b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>