NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Australia  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Resources |
| **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):** High pressure processed chicken meat |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X]** **All trading partners**  **[ ]****Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Draft Report on the assessment of the scientific aspects of high pressure processing as an equivalent risk management measure to heat treatments in the *Generic import risk analysis for chicken meat: final import risk analysis report* (2008).**Language(s):** . **Number of pages:**  <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/risk-analysis/animal> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** 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 *Generic import risk analysis report for chicken meat: final report 2008* (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 <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/risk-analysis/animal>. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [****X]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[ ]****Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[****X]** **World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** Terrestrial Animal Health Code (2015); Section 5 - Trade Measures, Import/Export Procedures and Veterinary Certification  **[ ]****International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]****None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X]** **Yes [ ]****No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 17 April 2019 |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **[ ]****Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 17 June 2019  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** |