Ministry for Primary Industries Manatū Ahu Matua

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Pork: Pork intended for Australia Redirected to New Zealand

CTO direction to biosecurity inspectors for the clearance of pork intended for Australia redirected to New Zealand

Pursuant to section 27(1)(d)(iii) of the Biosecurity Act 1993 I, Vicki Melville, Manager Animal Imports, Ministry for Primary Industries (under delegated authority), give the following direction for pork intended for Australia but redirected to New Zealand to be given clearance in accordance with the following measures, different from those in the following import health standards:

- Import Health Standard for Pig Meat/Pig Meat Products for Human Consumption from Canada and/or the United States of America (MEAPORIC.NAM; 18 March 2011)
- Import Health Standard for Pig meat for Human Consumption from the European Union (MEAPORIC.EU; 18 March 2011)
- Import Health Standard for Pig Meat/Pig Meat Products for Human Consumption from the Sonora State of Mexico (MEAPORIC.MEX; 18 March 2011)

Pork and pork products originating from Canada, the USA, European Union countries and the Sonora State of Mexico and intended for Australia but not cleared by the Australian quarantine authority can be imported into New Zealand provided it is supported by an import permit assessment concluding that a single entry Permit to Import for the consignment can be issued.

The consignment must be accompanied by the original copies of the overseas relevant competent authority zoo-sanitary certificates intended for Australia and the consignment-specific MPI's Permit to Import.

The reason for directing clearance is that the biosecurity risks associated with this CTO Direction have been assessed and are managed effectively. The health certificate that the Australian Department of Agriculture currently requires for importation of pork and pork products from the EU, Canada, the USA and the Mexican State of Sonora has been assessed and determined to be equivalent to the health certification required by Part D of the above listed Import Health Standards.

This direction takes effect from the date of signing and continues in effect until amended or revoked.

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