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FRESH (CHILLED OR FROZEN) BEEF AND BEEF PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN, THE NETHERLANDS, NEW ZEALAND, THE UNITED STATES AND VANUATU — DRAFT REVIEW REVISED CLOSING DATE FOR COMMENT

The Department of Agriculture and Water Resources has revised the closing date for stakeholders to provide comments on the department's draft report on its review of the import requirements for fresh (chilled or frozen) beef and beef products from Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the United States and Vanuatu.

On 14 December 2016 the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources issued Biosecurity Advice 2016/36 inviting stakeholders to provide comments on a draft review of the import requirements for fresh (chilled or frozen) beef and beef products from Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the United States and Vanuatu.

Following requests from stakeholders, the department has extended the closing date for comments to 15 March 2017.

Comments on the review should be submitted, by 15 March 2017, to:

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The draft report is available via the department's website <u>http://www.agriculture.gov.au/biosecurity/risk-analysis/memos/ba2016-36</u>

All submissions received on the draft report will be carefully considered by Animal Biosecurity in finalising the review.

Please pass this notice to other interested parties. If those parties wish to be included in future communications on this matter they should contact Animal Biosecurity.

Confidentiality

Stakeholders are advised that, subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* and the *Privacy Act 1988*, all submissions received in response to Biosecurity Advices will be publicly available and may be listed or referred to in any papers or reports prepared on the subject matter.

The Commonwealth reserves the right to reveal the identity of a respondent unless a request for anonymity accompanies the submission. Where a request for anonymity does not accompany the submission the respondent will be taken to have consented to the disclosure of his or her identity for the purposes of Information Privacy Principle 11 of the *Privacy Act*. The contents of the submission will only be treated as confidential if they are marked 'confidential' and they can be classified as such in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act*.

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