Meat Chicken Levy Regulations (Amendment) 1993 No. 97

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

STATUTORY RULES 1993 No. 97

Issued by Authority of the Minister for Primary Industries and Energy

Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act 1977

Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Regulations (Amendment)

Australian Wool Corporation Act 1991

Australian Wool Corporation Regulations (Amendment)

Dairy Produce Levy (No. 1) Act 1986

Dairy Produce Levy Regulations (Amendment)

Laying Chicken Levy Act 1988

Laying Chicken Levy Regulations (Amendment)

Meat Chicken Levy Act 1969

Meat Chicken Levy Regulations (Amendment)

Pig Slaughter Levy Act 1971

Pig Slaughter Levy Regulations (Amendment)

Relevant sections of the above Acts provide that the Governor-General may, make regulations for the purposes of the Acts and, in particular, provide for a levy, (or payment in the case of cattle and wool) for exotic disease purposes. Relevant sections are as follows:

Section 52 of the <u>Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act 1977</u>

Section 94 of the Australian Wool Corporation Act 1991

Section 14 of the <u>Dairy Produce Levy (No. 1) Act 1986</u>

Section 9 of the Laying Chicken Levy Act 1988

Section 11 of the Meat Chicken Levy Act 1969

Section 8 of the Pig Slaughter Levy Act 1971

The <u>Exotic Animal Disease Control Act 1989</u> establishes the Exotic Animal Disease Preparedness Consultative Council (EXANDIS) and provides financial assistance for purposes related to the control and eradication of exotic animal diseases.

The financial assistance is provided through a trust account which receives annual industry contributions of approximately, \$750,000 with expenditure of industry contributions from the account being matched on a dollar-for-dollar basis up to a maximum of \$750,000 by the Commonwealth.

It is necessary to prescribe by regulation the operative EXANDIS levy rates for 1993-94. The Acts provide that before making regulations prescribing such rates, the Governor-General shall take into consideration any recommendations made to the Minister by, those members of EXANDIS nominated by the National Farmers' Federation (NFF). These recommendations have been received.

The attached table shows the section of each Act relevant to the proposed levies, the amount of each proposed levy/payment as recommended and the maximum rates as specified in the relevant levy Acts.

All of the proposed Regulations, which would implement the recommended rates, are to commence on 1 July 1993.

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ATTACHMENT

EXANDIS - PROPOSED CONTRIBUTION RATES 1993-94

1. EXANDIS CONTRIBUTION VIA DIRECT PAYMENT

COMMODITY	PAYMENT \$
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Cattle/calves	266,356
Wool	191,401
	Cattle/calves

2. EXANDIS CONTRIBUTION VIA LEVY

LEGISLATION	PROPOSED LEVY	SPECIFIED MAXIMUM
Dairy Produce Levy		
(No. 1) Act 1986	0.047 (cent/kg milk fat)	0.066
(subsection 7(4A))		
Laying Chicken		
Levy Act 1988	0.22 (cent/laying chicken)	0.25
(paragraph 7(b))		
Meat Chicken Levy		
Act 1969	0.018 (cent/meat chicken)	0.05
(paragraph 7(1)(b))		
Pig Slaughter Levy	0.00 (
Act 1971	0.90 (cent/head)	1.5
(paragraph 6(1)(c))		