EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Issued by the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Export Control (Meat and Meat Products) Amendment Orders 2011 (No. 1)

made under the Export Control (Orders) Regulations 1982

Legislative Authority

Pursuant to section 25 of the *Export Control Act 1982 (Cth)* (the Act) and regulation 3 of the *Export Control (Orders) Regulations 1982* (the Regulations), *Export Control (Meat and Meat Products) Orders 2005* (Principal Orders) identify the conditions and restrictions on the export of meat and meat products for the purposes of section 7 of the Act.

Purpose

The purpose of the *Export Control (Meat and Meat Products) Amendment Orders 2011 (No.1)* (Amendment Orders) is to amend Schedule 10, Part 1.1. Occupiers are currently required to give the Secretary one month's notice of the services sought. The Amendment Orders will increase this notice period to three months. This will ensure that the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry will be able to undertake recruitment or training of staff upon the receipt of any notice under this provision. This will enable the Department to provide inspection services in a timely and effective manner.

Consultation

The Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) Preliminary Assessment was completed in relation to these amendments. The Preliminary Assessment indicated that the amendments are minor and machinery in nature and that further consultation was not required (2011/12917).

Details

Order 1 provides that the name of these amending Orders is the *Export Control (Meat and Meat Products) Amendment Orders 2011 (No.1)*.

Order 2 provides that these Orders commence on a day to be notified by the Minister in the *Gazette* for the purposes of these Orders.

Order 3 provides that Schedule 1 amends the Export Control (Meat and Meat Products) Orders 2005.

Schedule 1 - Amendments

Item 1 amends Schedule 10, Part 1.1 by omitting the words "one month" and inserting the words "three months".