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Meat Traders
Egg Traders

Dear Sir / Madam

OUTBREAK OF HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AVIAN INFLUENZA (HPAI) IN AUSTRALIA

We would like to inform you that Australia has reported an outbreak of H7 Highly Pathogenic Notifiable Avian Influenza (HPAI) in a flock of layer hens located in New South Wales.

The Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) had placed the affected premises under quarantine and commenced stamping out and surveillance activities. AVA was also informed that DAFF had stopped issuing health certificates for all avian and ratite meat, meat products, by-products, eggs and egg products to Singapore, where the certification refers to freedom from avian influenza.

AVA will inform relevant traders if there are any further updates on this issue. Please feel free to contact Mr Lai Fah Choong at 6325 7624 or myself at 6325 7617 if you need further clarifications.

Yours faithfully

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for Director-General
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