

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF)
3.	Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Shelf stable petfoods containing bovine material from all countries.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Canada
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Import health standard in English for the importation of shelf stable petfoods containing bovine ingredients into New Zealand from all countries (7 pages).
6.	Description of content: This import health standard allows for the importation of shelf stable petfoods containing bovine ingredients into New Zealand from all countries. Following a case of BSE in Canada, this import health standard has been amended to exclude Canada from relevant clauses relating to the importation of petfood containing bovine material. The conditions for the importation of such products from Canada can now be found in the import health standard "Import health standard for the importation into New Zealand of shelf stable petfoods containing bovine material from specified countries".
7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: New information resulting from a case of BSE in Canada.
9.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> Office International des Epizooties, <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
10.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: None
11.	Date of entry into force/period of application (as applicable): 6 June 2003

12.	Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National notification authority, [X] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:
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