STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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ANIMAL HEALTH

The Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter) Order 2006

Made - - - - 4th August 2006

Coming into force - - 29th August 2006

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 15(4), 32(2) and 88(2) of the Animal Health Act 1981(a) and now vested in him:

Title, commencement and application

- 1. This Order—
 - (a) may be cited as the Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter) Order 2006;
 - (b) comes into force on 29th August 2006;
 - (c) applies in England only.

Amendment of the Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter) Order 1992

2. In article 2(1) (application of section 32 of the Animal Health Act 1981) of the Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter) Order 1992(**b**) after "Epizootic haemorrhagic virus disease" insert "Equine infectious anaemia".

Amendment of the Specified Diseases (Notification) Order 1996

3. In Part I of Schedule 1 (specified diseases) to the Specified Diseases (Notification) Order 1996(c) after "Epizootic haemorrhagic virus disease" insert "Equine infectious anaemia".

4th August 2006

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⁽a) 1981 c.22, as amended by the Animal Health Act 2002 (c.42), and S.I. 2003/1734. Powers of the Secretary of State under the Act were previously exercised by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (see section 86(1)). Functions were transferred to the Secretary of State by S.I. 1999/3141 and 2002/794. Functions exercisable by the Secretaries of State for Scotland and for Wales in relation to England were transferred to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food by S.I. 1999/3141 and were then transferred to the Secretary of State by S.I. 2002/794.

⁽b) S.I. 1992/3159, amended by S.I. 2003/130; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

⁽c) S.I. 1996/2628; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1998/1645 and 2003/130.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Article 2 of this Order amends the Specified Diseases (Notification and Slaughter) Order 1992 (S.I. 1992/3159) by adding equine infectious anaemia to the list of diseases to which section 32 of the Animal Health Act 1981 applies (under which the Secretary of State may cause animals to be slaughtered).

Article 3 amends the Specified Diseases (Notification) Order 1996 (S.I. 1996/2628) by adding equine infectious anaemia to the list of specified diseases in relation to which the notification provisions in article 3 of that Order apply.

A regulatory impact assessment has been prepared and placed in the library of each House of Parliament; copies can be obtained from the Surveillance, Zoonoses and Emerging Issues Division, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, 1A Page Street, London SW1P 4PO.