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NATIONAL VENDOR DECLARATION (NVD) – RUSSIAN ELIGIBILITY

We have been advised by a number of the Abbatoirs who purchase cattle through the Kempsey Saleyards that they are no longer able to bid on cattle that do not have Russian Eligibility Status. Please read the following announcement from SAFEMEAT explaining Russian Eligibility.

“SAFEMEAT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR 2012:

To meet Russian market access requirements SAFEMEAT is implementing a 90 day Provisional Russian Export Slaughter Interval (ESI) for products and feed containing oxytetracycline or chlortetracycline – effective 1 January 2012. Producers must now declare the status of their livestock against this ESI by correctly completing the LPA NVD. Producers who do not use products or feed containing oxytetracycline or chlortetracycline or comply with the 90 day ESI must write the words **‘Russian Eligible’** on the LPA NVD under Question 9 for cattle, Question 8 EU cattle and Question 7 for sheep. Where **‘Russian Eligible’** is written on the LPA NVD it means that the livestock have not been injected with or ingested feed products containing oxytetracycline and chlortetracycline in the last 90 days. Detection of oxytetracycline or chlortetracycline residues in meat or offal in Russia will result in the meat processor, and potentially Australia, being banned from that market. Russia is Australia’s fourth most important market. For the latest updates, for Safemeat advice to producers and **latest product list** go to **www.safemeat.com.au**” (ALPA Member Update 6/12/2012. Vol 374)

If you have any queries regarding the above please do not hesitate to contact the office on 02 6562 6600.

Yours faithfully

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