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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: AUSTRALIA If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
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): Meat and meat products (bovine, bubaline, camelidae, caprine, cervidae, ovine, porcine and soliped) (ICS code: 67.120; HS code: 02 - Chapter 2 - Meat and edible meat offal)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Draft updates to Australian Standard 4696:2022, Hygienic production and transportation of meat and meat products for human consumption. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 86 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/AUS/22_6762_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: Australia is updating its mandatory standard for the hygienic production and transportation of meat and meat products for human consumption. It applies to meat produced in Australia and derived from animals of the bovine, bubaline, camelidae, caprine, cervidae, ovine, porcine and soliped species slaughtered other than in a wild state. Updates have been made to the requirements under Schedule 2 - Procedures for post-mortem inspection and Schedule 3 - Ante-mortem and post-mortem dispositions.
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input 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. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): The Codex Code of Hygienic Practice for Meat (CRC-RCP 58-2005) <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 15 February 2023 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 1 February 2023
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 15 February 2023 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 4 December 2022 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Australian Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry GPO Box 858 Tel: +(61 2) 6272 3933 E-mail: sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au Website: http://www.agriculture.gov.au
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