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MARKETING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS ACT, 1996 (ACT No. 47 OF 1996)

ESTABLISHMENT OF STATUTORY MEASURE: REGISTRATION

I, Angela Thokozile Didiza, Minister of Agriculture, acting under sections 13 and 19 of the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No. 47 of 1996), hereby establish the statutory measure set out in the Schedule.

Minister of Agriculture. 03-08-2005

SCHEDULE

Definitions

1. In this Schedule any word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Act shall have that meaning, and unless the context otherwise indicates –

"designated animal" for purposes of this notice, means cattle, goats, pigs and sheep;

"levy notice" means any notice whereby a levy is imposed on a designated animal or any meat product derived from a designated animal in terms of the Act;

"levy administrator" means the levy administrator as defined in the levy notice; and

"the Act" means the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, 1996 (Act No. 47 of 1996).

Purpose and aim of statutory measure and the relation thereof to the objectives of the Act

2. The purpose and aims of this statutory measure is to compel the parties set out herein to register with the Levy Administrator. This is necessary to ensure that continuous, timeous and accurate market information relating to animals slaughtered and marketed is available to all role - players. Market information is deemed essential for all role - players in order for them to make informed decisions.

The establishment of the statutory measure should assist in promoting the efficiency of the marketing of meat. The viability of the red meat industry should thus be enhanced.

The measure **is** not detrimental to any of the objectives of the Act, and in particular will not be detrimental to the number of employment opportunities or fair labour practice in the red meat industry.

The statutory measure will be administered by the levy administrator, who will act in terms **of** the mandate and on behalf of the red meat industry through its representative organ, namely the Red Meat Industry Forum (RMIF).

Products to which statutory measure applies

3. This statutory measure shall apply to designated animals and any meat product derived there from.

Area in which statutory measure shall applies

4. This statutory measure shall apply in the geographical area of the Republic of South Africa.

Registration

5. (1) Any person referred to in clause 5(a), (b) or (c) of the levy notice, with the exception of persons referred to in clause 5(a)(i) and 5(b)(i) shall on an annual basis register and re-register with **the** levy administrator.

(2) Registration shall be done immediately upon receipt of a registration form obtainable free of charge for this purpose from the levy administrator, and must -

(a) be submitted, when forwarded by post, to -

The Levy Administrator P. O Box 36802 Menlo Park 0102

(c) When sent by telefax, be addressed to-

012361**6004**.

Commencement and period of validity

6. This statutory measure shall come into operation on the date of publication hereof and lapse two years later.