DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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EXEMPTION FROM SECTION 11(1)(I) OF THE MEAT SAFETY ACT, 2000 (ACT NO. 40 OF 2000) FOR THE SLAUGHTER OF GAME ANIMALS

The Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development intends, in terms of section 11(3) of the Meat Safety Act, 2000 (Act No. 40 of 2000), in consultation with members of the Executive Council responsible for abattoirs to exempt game animals from a portion of the provisions of section 11(1)(i) of the Meat Safety Act, 2000 (Act No. 40 of 2000).

In terms of section 11(1)(i), no dead animal or animal suffering from a condition that may render the meat unsafe for human and animal consumption may be presented at an abattoir for slaughter;

The proposed exemption is to allow game animals that have been shot outside an abattoir ("dead animals") to be presented at an abattoir for dressing in compliance with all other provisions of the Meat Safety Act, 2000.

Interested persons are invited to submit comments on the proposed exemption within 60 days of publication of this notice to the Director of Veterinary Public Health at:

Private Bag x138, Pretoria, 0001; or e-mail VPH@dalrrd.gov.za.

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