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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>AUSTRALIA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ)
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): Raw milk products sold in Australia (both imported and domestically produced) where it can be demonstrated: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– that the intrinsic physico-chemical characteristics of the raw milk product do not support the growth of pathogens, and– there is no net increase in pathogen levels during processing. Raw milk products are dairy products made with raw milk, but do not include milk.
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [X] All trading partners [] Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: 2nd Call for Submissions for Proposal P1022 - Primary Production & Processing Requirements for Raw Milk Products Language(s): English Number of pages: 28
6.	Description of content: Proposal P1022 has been prepared to assess additional requirements for milk production, transport and processing for the safe production of raw milk products, where it can be demonstrated that the intrinsic physico-chemical characteristics of the raw milk product do not support the growth of pathogens, and there is no net increase in pathogen levels during processing. FSANZ is consulting on draft variations to Standards 4.2.4 - Primary Production and Processing Standard for Dairy Products, 4.2.4A - Primary Production and Processing Standard for Specific Cheeses and 1.6.1- Microbiological Limits. All proposals to change the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code, must be assessed in the context of the following objectives: (a) the protection of public health and safety; (b) the provision of adequate information relating to food to enable consumers to make informed choices; and (c) the prevention of misleading or deceptive conduct.
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.

8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text) Code of Hygienic Practice for Milk and Milk Products CAC/RCP 57-2004</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code (available in English)</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): FSANZ Board approval anticipated December 2014.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): Notification to Government anticipated December 2014 with gazettal and registration of legislative instrument to follow, in February 2015, pending Government consideration.</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): Date of Gazettal and registration of legislative instrument pending Government consideration (see 10. above).</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 29 August 2014</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Food Standards Australia New Zealand PO Box 7186 Canberra BC ACT 2610 Australia E-mail: standards.management@foodstandards.gov.au</p> <p>Assessment summary available (in English) from FSANZ website at http://www.foodstandards.gov.au/code/proposals/Pages/proposalp1022primary5627.aspx</p>
13.	<p>Texts available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Documents are available from the Food Standards Australia New Zealand website: http://www.foodstandards.gov.au/code/proposals/Pages/proposalp1022primary5627.aspx.</p> <p>Copies are also available from: The Australian SPS Notification Point GPO Box 858 Canberra ACT 2601 Australia Fax: +(61 2) 6272 3678 E-mail: sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au</p>