STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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AGRICULTURE, ENGLAND

The Pig Carcase (Grading) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2004

Made - - - - 12th June 2004

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The Secretary of State, being a Minister designated (a) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 (b) in relation to the common agricultural policy of the European Community, in exercise of the powers conferred on her by that section, makes the following Regulations:

Title, commencement and application

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Pig Carcase (Grading) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2004 and shall come into force on 12th July 2004.
 - (2) These Regulations apply to England only.

Amendments to the Pig Carcase (Grading) Regulations 1994

- 2. In the Pig Carcase (Grading) Regulations 1994 (c)—
 - (a) in regulation 2(1)—
 - (i) for the definition of "the Commission Decision" there shall be substituted the following definition —

""the Commission Decision" means Commission Decision 2004/370/EC (d) authorising methods for grading pig carcases in the United Kingdom;";

- (ii) in the definition of "pig carcase", for "Articles 2 and 2a" there shall be substituted "Articles 3 and 4"; and
- (b) in regulation 6(b), for "Article 3" there shall be substituted "Article 5".

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Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

12th June 2004

⁽**a**) S.I. 1972/1811.

⁽b) 1972 c.68.

⁽c) S.I. 1994/2155.

⁽d) OJ No. L116, 22.4.2004 p. 32.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which extend to England only, amend the provisions of the Pig Carcase (Grading) Regulations 1994. The 1994 Regulations provide for the administration and enforcement of the Community system of grading pig carcases established by Council Regulation (EEC) No. 3220/84 (OJ No. L301, 20.11.84 p.1) as amended, the detailed rules for which are set out in Commission Regulation (EEC) No. 2967/85 (OJ No. L285, 25.10.85, p.39) and Commission Decision 2004/370/EC (OJ No. L116, 22.4.2004, p.32).

These Regulations amend the 1994 Regulations so as to take account of Commission Decision 2004/370/EC. This Decision sets out the methods which are authorised for use for grading pig carcases pursuant to Regulation (EEC) No. 3220/84. It replaces, with minor amendments as to the formulae to be applied to predict lean meat percentages of pig carcases, Commission Decision 88/234/EEC and various amending Decisions.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been prepared for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business.

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