

COMMISSION DECISION

of 30 July 1992

amending for the third time Council Directive 82/894/EEC on the notification of animal diseases within the Community and temporarily amending the frequency of notification for bovine spongiform encephalopathy

(92/450/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 82/894/EEC of 21 December 1982 on the notification of animal diseases within the Community ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Decision 90/134/EEC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 5 ⁽²⁾ thereof,

Whereas outbreaks of bovine spongiform encephalopathy continue within Community territory; whereas that disease should accordingly be kept on the list of diseases notifiable under Directive 82/894/EEC;

Whereas, in the light of experience gained, provision should be made for a derogation to extend the requirement to notify outbreaks of that disease until 31 December 1997; whereas, however, weekly notification of outbreaks containing information required concerning secondary outbreaks appears sufficient;

Whereas provisions adopted previously concerning notification of the disease should be repealed;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Veterinary Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

'Bovine spongiform encephalopathy' is hereby added to Annex I to Directive 82/894/EEC.

Article 2

By way of a derogation from Article 3 (1) of Directive 82/894/EEC, all outbreaks of bovine spongiform encephalopathy shall be notified until 31 December 1997 in accordance with Article 4 of that Directive.

Article 3

Decision 90/134/EEC is hereby repealed.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 30 July 1992.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 378, 31. 12. 1982, p. 58.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 76, 22. 3. 1990, p. 23.