

SCHEDULE 3

CONTROL AND ERADICATION OF TSE IN BOVINE ANIMALS

Identification and restriction of offspring and cohorts

4.—(1) In accordance with Article 13(2) of the Community TSE Regulation as read with Articles 2(1)(b) and (2) of Commission Decision 2007/411/EC, if—

- (a) an animal is a suspected animal;
- (b) the monitoring of bovine carcasses under Schedule 2 Part I or under Annex III of the Community TSE Regulation, as read with Commission Decision 2008/908/EC, confirms that an animal is suspected of being affected with TSE; or
- (c) the competent authority of another part of the United Kingdom or a member State notifies the Department that a bovine animal is suspected of being affected with TSE,

then sub-paragraph (2) applies.

(2) Where this paragraph applies, an inspector must identify—

- (a) in the case of a female animal, all its offspring born within two years prior to, or after, clinical onset of the disease; and
- (b) all its bovine cohorts born on or after 1st August 1996.

(3) An inspector must serve a notice prohibiting movement of those animals identified in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) from the premises on which they are kept or where that inspector suspects they are kept (whether or not this is the same premises as that of the suspect animal) and remove any cattle passports.

(4) If the animals in sub-paragraph (2) cannot immediately be identified an inspector may serve a notice prohibiting the movement of any bovine animal from the premises pending identification.

(5) Movements of animals restricted by notice under sub-paragraph (3) are only permitted in accordance with regulation 16.