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IMPORTS AND EU POLICY TEAM

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Situation update on HPAI outbreak in the USA

Purpose

To upate and advise OVSs that the regionalisation of the USA has been agreed and can be implemented with immediate effect.

Background

OVS Note 2015/01 advised that the Commission was going to vote at the PAFF committee on 13/14 January for regionalisation of the US in regard of HPAI for import of poultry, their hatching eggs, fresh meat, and for import of meat products.

The regionalisation has been agreed by the PAFF committee and Commission Implementing Decisions (copies attached) amending Regulation (EC) 798/2008 and 2007/777/EC are being published. However, the Commission has asked that the changes are considered to be formally accepted prior to publication.

Action for OVSs

To note that the suspension of the import of live poultry, and certain poultry products from the United States applies only to the the affected areas in state of Oregon (Douglas County) and the whole territory of Washington State.

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