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**Department of Agriculture
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Dear Mr Lange

CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF THE AUSTRALIAN STANDARDS FOR THE EXPORT OF LIVESTOCK

I am writing to certify that the attached independent review of the Australian Standards for the Export of Livestock, undertaken by a Technical Advisory Committee, has undertaken a process and analysis equivalent to a Regulation Impact Statement (RIS).

I certify that the review has adequately address all seven RIS questions and is submitted to the Office of Best Practice for the purposes of a final policy decision.

I also note the change in regulatory burden to business, community organisations or individuals has been quantified using the Australian Government's Regulatory Burden Measurement framework. This was costed by the Department on the basis of the review, and has been agreed with your office as approximately up to \$2.5 million per annum. The impact will be borne by the business entities engaged in the export trade.

There are no offsets identified. However, we will continue to look to savings as part of the Department's regulatory burden reduction activities.

Accordingly, I am satisfied that the attached report now meets best practice consistent with the *Australia Government Guide to Regulation*.

Should OBPR have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Carol Sheridan on Tel. 6272 4420.

Yours sincerely

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Acting Deputy Secretary

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