

AUSTRALIAN SENATE RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT REFERENCES COMMITTEE

HEARING PROGRAM

Inquiry into the Impact and Consequences of the Government's Decision to Relax Import Restrictions on Beef

Friday, 5 February 2010 Committee Room 2S3 – Parliament House CANBERRA

Time	Witness	Sub No.
9.00 am	Australian Beef Association	6
	Mr Brad Bellinger, Chairman	
	Mr John Carter, Director	
9:30 am	Dr Bob Steel	7, 7a
	Veterinary Surgeon	and 7b
10:00 am	Morning tea	
10.15 am	Dr Andrew Lavender	
	President, Australian Medical Association (SA)	
11.00 am	Professor John Mathews	
	Consultant engaged to undertake the Review of Scientific Evidence	
	to Inform Australia's Policy on Transmissible Spongiform	
	Encephalopathies (TSEs)	
11.45 am	Lunch Break	
1:00 pm	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (including	4
	Biosecurity Services Group)	
	Mr Paul Morris, Executive Manager, Trade and Market Access	
	Mr Greg Read, Executive Manager, Biosecurity Services Group	
	Food	
	Dr Andy Carroll, Chief Veterinary Officer	
	Dr Bob Biddle, General Manager, Animal Health Programs	
	Dr Andrew Cupit, Biosecurity Services Group, Animal Division	
	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	
	Mr Tim Yeend, First Assistant Secretary, Office of Trade	3

3:00 pm	Adjournment of Hearing	
	and Governance Division Mr Andrew Bartholomaeus, General Manager, Risk Management, Food Standards Australia New Zealand Ms Amanda Hill, Manager, Food Safety, Food Standards Australia New Zealand Mr Steve McCutcheon, Chief Executive Officer, Food Standards Australia New Zealand	
	Professor Jim Bishop, Chief Medical Officer Professor John Mathews, Consultant engaged to undertake the Review of Scientific Evidence to Inform Australia's Policy on Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies (TSEs) Ms Mary McDonald, First Assistant Secretary, Regulatory Policy	
	Department of Health and Ageing (including Food Standards Australia New Zealand)	2
	Negotiations Ms Caroline McCarthy, Director, Food Trade and Quarantine Section, Office of Trade Negotiations Ms Julia O'Brien, Executive Officer, WTO Trade Law Branch, Office of Trade Negotiations	