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ANIMALS

Mechanically Recovered Meat (Export Prohibition) Order (Northern Ireland) 1995

Made . . . . . 15th December 1995

Coming into operation . . 18th December 1995

The Department of Agriculture, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 32 of the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**a**) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Mechanically Recovered Meat (Export Prohibition) Order (Northern Ireland) 1995 and shall come into operation on 18th December 1995.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"mechanically recovered meat" does not include meat recovered by the use of hand held powered knives which do not use powered pressure or suction; and

"vertebral column" means the whole or any part thereof and includes the sacrum but does not include the coccygeal vertebrae.

Export prohibition

3. A person shall not export from Northern Ireland to Great Britain, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands or another member State, meat which has been recovered by mechanical means from the vertebral column of a bovine animal (mechanically recovered meat) except in accordance with a licence granted by the Department.

Licences

4. A licence granted under Article 3—

(*a*) shall be in writing;

(*b*) may be granted subject to conditions; and

(*c*) may be modified, suspended or revoked by notice in writing given to the holder thereof at any time.

(a) S.I. 1981/1115 (N.I. 22) to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order