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Animal welfare incident report

Section A: General information

Background

Export registered establishments monitor the condition of animals arriving for slaughter and take appropriate timely actions to alleviate pain and suffering of animals arriving for slaughter with welfare concerns.

Purpose of this report

This report is generated by abattoir management and/or the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources officers to report animal welfare incidents detected at export registered establishments to the relevant state/territory authorities with the jurisdiction to investigate the cause of the animal welfare incident.

Your obligations

- Complete a separate report for each incident.
- Keep the report on file for future requests.

Copy of this report must be provided to the:

- relevant state/territory authority
- Department of Agriculture and Water Resources on-plant veterinary (OPV) officer
- establishment management (for reports generated by the OPV officer).

Incident reference number

Est. number where incident was detected	Year	Sequential number of incidents per year
3416	2021	1

Section B: Incident details

Description of the incident

Date of incident	23/02/23
Time when incident was detected	07.30
Time of stock arrival at the establishment	07.20
Time of stock unloading	07.25
Number of animal(s) affected	1

Nature of the incident

(tick as appropriate)

Unable to walk on its own by bearing weight on all legs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Severely emaciated	<input type="checkbox"/>
Visibly dehydrated	<input type="checkbox"/>
Blind in both eyes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Showing visible signs of severe injury or distress	<input type="checkbox"/>
Suffering from conditions that are likely to increase pain and suffering as a result of the transport process	<input type="checkbox"/>
Known to be or visually assessed as to be near (within two weeks of parturition) as specified in the species requirements of the land transport standards (LTS), unless time off water and journey is less than four hours duration to another property	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (add comment in the comments section below)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments	<p>I, s. 22(1)(a)(ii) at Est3416, Meramist was present at the yards during the unloading of a lot of 33 horses delivered on 23/2/21, the s. 47F(1). I observed one horse, an aged chesnut pony mare (collar K 5065), reluctant to be unloaded with her having to be physically pushed from the truck, all the way down the loading ramp to the receiving pen. On closer inspection, I deemed this 20-25 year old pony to be bi-laterally blind due to her walking into other horses when in yard 6, no menace response bi-laterally and her pupils fixed and dilated. There was a considerable degree of conjunctivitis and active inflammation in the left eye with the right eye displaying a mature cataract. This aged mare also displayed marked hirsutism, a pathognomic sign of pituitary adenoma (Cushing's disease). In summary, this mare was unfit to load.</p>
Chronological description of observations and events	<p>At approx 07.30 s. 47F(1) delivered 33 Horses for s. 47F(1), while Unloading s. 47F(1) had to Physically Coax a Mare off the truck. She moved very Warily and steadily checking the ground ahead with her hoof</p> <p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii) noticed this and halted anymore unloading, he queried s. 47F(1) in regards to her Eyesight.</p> <p>s. 47F(1) replied she had a Milky eye in her left eye.</p> <p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii) inspected and agreed the left eye was milky, However on inspection he decided to check the right eye and found the animal was blind in the right eye as well</p> <p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii) used a series of quick flutter hand gestures to determine the animals blindness</p> <p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii) advised this would be an Welfare Issue focusing on Animal was Unfit to load</p>

Details of affected animal(s)

A copy of the vendor declaration must accompany this incident report and/or post sale summary if the animals were purchased from a sale yard.

Species	Horse
Class	Equine
Sex	Mare
Breed	
Age	
Animal identification (i.e. NLIS, PigPass)	Collar K5065
Tail tag (if used)	
Ear tag (if used)	
Ear mark (if used)	
Brand (if used)	
Tattoo (if used)	

Condition of affected animal(s)

If more than one animal affected, record the condition body score as a range.

Body condition score	4
Behaviour/demeanour	Wary, unsettled
Temperature (if applicable)	

Property of origin

Owner's name	s. 47F(1)
Property Identification Code (PIC)	Collar s. 47F(1)
Property street address	s. 47F(1)
Telephone number	s. 47F(1)
Previous incidents from the same PIC If yes, provide date and/or reference number of previous incident(s)	NA

Sale yard details

(if relevant)

Date of sale	
PIC	
Property street address	
Telephone number	

Place where incident was detected

Establishment number	3416
Email address	
On-plant veterinarian	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Section C: Transport details

Transport company	s. 47F(1)
Address	s. 47F(1)
Telephone number	s. 47F(1)
Vehicle registration number	s. 47F(1)
Number of decks	2
Driver name*	s. 47F(1)
Driver's telephone number*	s. 47F(1)

Details of any delay, lay-over or stop during the trip

Location	N/A
Duration	
Water availability	

*Provide the driver with a copy of **Section K: Privacy notice**.**Use of dogs for unloading of animals**

Were dog(s) muzzled during unloading?	N/A
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Injuries sustained during transport

If injuries are believed to have been sustained during transport interview the stock handler or person supervising unloading and ask for the following information.

Transport density (number of animals transported on the truck)	33
Estimated head clearance on transport truck	80CM
Estimated sacrum clearance on transport truck	
Condition/state of repair of transport truck	GOOD

Section D: Photos and video of incident

Photos List file numbers of photos attached to the report Include general photos of the animal(s) as well as close up photos of the lesion(s).	image0	image1	image2	image7
	image8	HVD230220 21	Collar Sheet	Subvendor
Videos (optional) List the file name and length of the video footage attached to the report.	Video	Video_1	Video_2	

Section E: Actions taken to alleviate animal(s) suffering

Action taken	1. PRIORITY KILL. 2. BOTH EYES EXTRACTED AFTER SLAUGHTER AND SAVED FOR FURTHER DIAGNOSTICS IF REQUIRED.
Time and date of action	07.45 23.02.21

Section F: Reporting of incident

Incident raised by

Name	Position	Date
s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	23.02.21

Incident reported to state/territory authority

Name	Date

Incident reported to OPV

(where the incident report is raised by the establishment)

OPV name	Date
s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	23.02.21

Incident reported to area technical manager (ATM) by OPV

ATM name	Date

Incident reported to establishment management

(where the incident report is raised by the OPV)

Name	Position	Date

Section G: Advice/direction received from state/territory authority

Where applicable, insert advice/direction received from state authorities regarding the incident.

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Section H: Signatures(see **Section K: Privacy notice** before signing)**Witness(es) of incident**

Name	Position	Signature
s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	
s. 47F(1)	s. 47F(1)	
s. 47F(1)	s. 47F(1)	

Department of Agriculture and Water Resources officer

Name	Position	Signature

Official

Name	Position	Signature

Section I: Declaration

(see **Section K: Privacy notice** before signing)

I, the undersigned agree that all photographic and written evidence collected pertaining to this incident report is for regulatory purposes only and must not be circulated to any third party except as defined.

Full name _____ **Date** _____

Position _____

Signature _____

Section J: Checklist

Requirement

Copy of the national vendor declaration (NVD) is attached to the incident report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Photos and videos (if possible) of the affected animal(s) are attached to the report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Professional statement from the OPV is included in the report (where required)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of the report, photos and NVD sent to the state authorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of the report, photos and NVD sent to the OPV (incident report raised by establishment management)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Copy of the report, photos and NVD sent to establishment management (incident report raised by the OPV)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section K: Privacy notice

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VERIFICATION FORM	
Period Ending	28/02/2021 WEEK 1
Establishment	3416 MERAMIST PTY LTD
Shift: 1	Chain: 1

No	Activity	Comments	Init	A/U	Date
0001	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 1	NO PRODUCTION	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	22/02/2021
0002	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 2	ATM AUDIT.		NR	23/02/2021
0003	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 3	BONE ONLY.		NR	24/02/2021
0004	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 4	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	25/02/2021
0005	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 5	BONE ONLY.		NR	26/02/2021
0006	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 6	NO PRODUCTION		NR	27/02/2021
0007	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 7	NO PRODUCTION		NR	28/02/2021
0008	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 1	NO PRODUCTION		NR	22/02/2021
0009	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 2	ATM audit.		NR	23/02/2021
0010	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 3	BONE ONLY.		NR	24/02/2021
0011	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 4	Carcasses checked: 11; Carcase numbers: 44-49; Time: 08.06. PHI Score: 0.55. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): 1x major hair/wool cluster;. Defects (Minor): 2x minor specks/dust; 1x minor hair/wool cluster; Offal pieces checked: 40 Time: 08.36. PHI Score: 0.1.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	25/02/2021



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		Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): 1x major hair/wool strands; . Defects (Minor): 1x minor foreign object;			
0012	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 5	BONE ONLY.		NR	26/02/2021
0013	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 6	NO PRODUCTION		NR	27/02/2021
0014	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 7	NO PRODUCTION		NR	28/02/2021
0015	Pre-operative hygiene – Weekly	Area (BR): 06.15 QA s. 47F(1) water temp low, production delayed, BR closed until boiler fixed. Observations: : Dried meat piece in rib saw. : Sink blocked and overflowing at trimmers stand. All findings cleaned or fixed prior to start of production. Acceptable	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	24/02/2021
0016	Boning room ZT/MHA product - Bi-Weekly 1	HORSE PRODUCTION @ 07.45 Pre-trimmer s. 47F(1) 0.7/10/OZT ZT: 0 Critical: 1, large amount and area of hair on Topside 100> Major: 0 Minor: 1, 1 x minor hair	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	24/02/2021
0017	Boning room ZT/MHA product - Bi-Weekly 2	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)			26/02/2021
0018	Microbiological testing program - Salmonella - Bi-Weekly 1	HORSE PRODUCTION BR QA s. 47F(1) collected random Salmonella swab from horse BN 30/1 @ 11.05 am on 24/02/21 Sterile swab collection technique with correct sampling sites and sequence. Labelling of sample acceptable.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	24/02/2021
0019	Microbiological testing program - Salmonella - Bi-Weekly 2	Only one sample required weekly.		NR	date
0020	Microbiological testing program - E. coli - Weekly	HORSE PRODUCTION BR QA s. 47F(1) collected E coli swab from BN 24/1 @ 11:09 am killed on 23/02/21. Sterile collection technique with correct sampling sites and sequence. Labelling of sample acceptable.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	24/02/2021
0021	Trichinella testing - Weekly	Verified preparation and microscopy of samples from horse BN 21-40 @ 11:15am; Slide diagnostic and negative for Trichinella.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	23/02/2021



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0022	EU Program Verification - Weekly	<p>1. EU loadout this week. 26/02/21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pallet observed in load out to have pet food cartons and HC cartons stacked together on same pallet with NO separation. Some cartons of pet food did not have green label. - Plastic wrapped Pallets (9) in container # CXRU 1171214 have pet food cartons without seals and some with seals mixed through entire pallet, also pallets in load out contain unsealed boxes mixed with sealed boxes from production dates 25/01. 09/02 and 23/02 - 4 x cartons horse trim temps C -14.8, -14.2, -19.6, -19.4 - The cross section observed within the container, Label details are correct. - Visualised labels were in correct format. <p>Seal register observed and signed by OPV for used seal.</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	26/02/2021
0023	Product integrity and certification - Weekly	<p>Verified application of DAWE security seals to strategic points around chillers after production on 23/02/21 in order to satisfy USA requirements for segregation of horse meat from beef. Chillers 2 and 3 secured with padlocks applied by company. Seal #'s 326311-326316 used with FSMA verifying seals intact before being breached by CR before production on 24/02/21.</p> <p>Metal E, & AI stamps left unattended in kill floor after production. FSMA found stamps on the kill floor while applying Seals and requested then verified supervisor signing "Stamp Return Register"</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	24/02/2021
0024	NLIS - Weekly	<p>PIC Based status checks- All completed and all "Clear no Test".</p> <p>Kill date 28/1/21: All PIC's verified as clear/no test: Total kill of 198 cattle consisted of 2 private PIC numbers : QCIR0086 describing 72 Wagyu cows, steers and a bull and QIBS0115 DESCRIBING 126 Wagyu cows and bulls.</p> <p>Device status checks complete at knocking box when devices scanned- No warning statuses reported to OPV.</p> <p>OPV verified SD 28/1/21 that no status warnings were reported to OPV from knocking box.</p> <p>No mobs reported to have been held in remote holding yards.</p> <p>For kill date 28/11/21, all cattle were</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	28/01/2021



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		delivered to Est3416 from private PIC's.			
		1. Kill data upload- checked dated All data uploaded into NLIS system. Upload data 28/1/2021: 196/198 RFID tags uploaded from knock box = 99%. ACCEPTABLE.			
0025	NVD - Weekly	Verify each lot presented for slaughter is accompanied by valid NVD / PSS / HVD: <u>Horse Kill Date 25/1/21</u> Lot 1 : s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> HVD # 61688– QJCB0502 – 7 horses – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ HVD # 61310 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61311– 4 mares – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61312– 2 mares – s. 47F(1) Lot 2: s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> NVD # 59925– 19 horses – s. 47F(1) . <u>Secondary</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ HVD # 59924 – 4 geldings/ 2 mares – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 59867 – 2 geldings / 2 mares – Matzwin Past Co. ➔ HVD # 59868 – 6 geldings / 4 mares – s. 47F(1) r Lot 3: s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> NVD # 61689 – 10 horses – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ HVD # 61313 – 3 geldings/ 6 mares / 1 filly – s. 47F(1) Lot 4: s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> NVD # 61976 – 4 geldings / 4 mares / 1 colt – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ NVD # 61975 – 1 colt – s. 47F(1) ➔ NVD # 61974 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) ➔ NVD # 61973 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) ➔ NVD # 61972 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) 	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	28/01/2021



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		<p>→ NVD # 61971 – 1 mare / 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61970 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61969 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61968 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 5: KLAN <u>Primary</u> NVD # 61092 – 33 horses (QABH0503) – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u></p> <p>→ NVD # 61838 – 7 geldings / 8 mares – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61837 – 2 geldings / 3 mares s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61836 – 1 gelding/ 1 colt / 3 mares – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 62154 – 1 colt / 1 mare / 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61256 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 6: SAHARA <u>Primary</u> NVD # 61690 – 7 horses (QJCB0502) – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u></p> <p>→ NVD # 61314 – 2 mares / 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61315 – 2 mares / 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>NLIS database reports generated for all PIC numbers before each kill and available to OPV to verify at time of ante-mortem to ensure no check statues are attached.</p> <p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii)</p>			
0026	Slaughter floor process CTC – Monthly:	<p>Horse description check- HVD- Horses in yards consistent with description – 25/1/2021; Lot 2, the vendor s. 47F(1) – 19 horses on kill sheet – HVD 59925 describing 11 geldings and 8 mares with all horses matching description on document.</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	23/2/2021



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	HORSE	<p>horse slaughter day but AM findings relevant to horse slaughter process listed below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The operative at hock cutting station was not rinsing hands and knife. Knife was placed into steriliser with blood buildup on handle and the operator was touching soap dispenser allowing blood to accumulate on the dispenser (CA). 2. The split saw operator was observed not to be washing hands effectively between carcasses and blood was allowed to accumulate on apron as well (CA). 3. Blood was not washed from knocking box floor and structures before the smoko break (CA). 4. Excessive blood pooling was observed on the floor in the sticking/rodding area and this was not cleaned during smoko (CA). 5. There were dirty knives and aprons stored in a personal gear storage rack in the white offal room during smoko break (CA). 6. Soap bottle without lid and labelling was stored in the hide on ante-room and the bottle was left to remain when auditor re-visited the same area later on the day (CA). <p>HORSE PRODUCTION: MEVS SF Process monitoring verification check conducted with SF QA s. 47F(1) @ 10:50am on 25/1/21:</p> <p>FINDINGS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Two operators street clothes exposed: low trim and safety officer. Issue not observed 23/2/21. 2. Blood on side of gut trolley after cleaning. Issue not observed 23/2/21. 3. Neck dragging on floor: no neck hooks in tub. Issue not observed 23/2/21. 	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)		
0028	<p>Animal handling CTC - Monthly</p> <p>HORSE PRODUCTION: Animal handling and movement verified</p>	<p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii)</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	25/02/2021



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		<p>with s. 47F(1) @ 09:12 on 28/01/21: Findings: No Findings. Process acceptable.</p> <p>HORSE PRODUCTION: Animal handling and movement verified with s. 47F(1) @ 09:22 on 01/12/20: Findings: 1. Pens 1 A/B and 2 A/B no shade. In weekly meeting: awaiting reply. 2. Verification of CAR.MNC 2008-0039 monitored horse entering knocking box from BN52- 66 @ 9.26am: One horse out of the 15 verified (BN 60) refused to enter knocking box before head collared and encouraged to do so and ended up most of the way in except for the hind quarters so knocked with back door open.</p> <p>Animal handling and movement verified with QA officer s. 47F(1) @ 09:45 – 10:15am on 03/11/20: Findings: 1. 09:45 2x horses observed baulking just before the belly wash. s. 47F(1) observed applying halter to move animal up with no success. Horses moved back to the circular yard. 2. 10:11 - horses baulked again just before the belly wash and didn't move forward.</p> <p>Baulking of horses just before the belly wash was observed, no animal welfare breaches reported during handling of horses at the time. Only 2 x horses moved up to the knocking box at the time.</p>			
0029	Slaughter floor process CTC – Monthly: BEEF	<p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii)</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	28/01/2021
0030	HGP-free testing - Monthly		s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	25/01/2021
0031	STEC and 0157 testing IVA - Monthly		s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	25/01/2021



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Additional Comments:

Correspondence from s. 22(1)(a)(ii) : Vet Export Standards Branch, Canberra regarding company horse supplier audit reports and telephone verifications:

- s. 47F(1) audit report - auditor has mentioned that some horse owners were unable to be contacted on the audit day (responded as - no answer), did they have any follow up action taken and what was the outcome on follow up contacting (any responses provided)?
- s. 47F(1) audit report – for question 13, there is a non-compliance (NC) recorded in regard to training to driver, but the comments column shows compliance. In summary on the last page, it says that there were no training records for s. 47F(1) or his employee in animal welfare – can you confirm that what was the action taken and any follow up action for this NC?
- s. 47F(1) audit report – questions 2 and 20 have no response in compliance column, C or NC. The comments column responses are acceptable.
- Telephone verification calls records – for question 6, the response for many owners has been mentioned that they did not have or kept the copy of HVD completed. It doesn't show any comments if some advisory was given by the auditor advising the owners for need to keep the HVD copies. Also no response from the horse suppliers is recorded that if they have advised the owners on buying horses regarding need for keeping the copy of HVD sent for slaughter. The horse suppliers also should be advising each
- Owner they buy horse from for keeping the copy of HVDs and that abattoir can cross check from them for confirmation of information supplied in the HVD.
 - It is recommended that the company telephone verification recording sheet should also have the compliance/non-compliance (C/NC) recording column.
- In addition to above issues reported, the number of telephone verifications by the establishments are not matching with the numbers of horse kill shifts. Establishment are required to perform minimum one telephone verification for each shift, but the telephone verification reports provided are only 23 whereas the horse kill shifts are 26 in calendar year 2020. Missing reports are from 24/04/2020, 11/08/2020, 01/12/2020.
- I have prepared a table with total number of shifts (data downloaded from MEDC system EPACS) and the telephone verifications performed by establishment and OPV. The OPV telephone verifications are enough as required under the meat notice 2015/03. There are 2 duplicate entries in the MEDC system EPACS as shown in table below.
- Can you also please check in your records that how many NRS samples were collected from horses in 2020 and if any returned above the residue limit requiring investigation. **For OPV to follow up.**
- Can you please communicate with the management and get the additional telephone verification reports and other requested information in my yesterday's email.



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Date	Number Slaughtered	Est Telephone Verification Yes/No	OPV Telephone Verification Yes/No	Comments
14/01/2020	223	Yes		
21/01/2020	132	Yes		
04/02/2020	172	Yes	Yes	
18/02/2020	149	Yes		
03/03/2020	127	Yes		
10/03/2020	136	Yes	Yes	
24/03/2020	146	Yes		
06/04/2020	158	Yes		
21/04/2020	140	Yes		
24/04/2020	146	No		
05/05/2020	109	Yes		
19/05/2020	196	Yes		
02/06/2020	127	Yes		
15/06/2020	141	Yes		
30/06/2020	141	Yes	Yes	
13/07/2020	118	Yes		
28/07/2020	99	Yes		
11/08/2020	139	No		
25/08/2020	143	Yes		
08/09/2020	84	Yes		
06/10/2020	110	Yes		
20/10/2020	148	Yes		
03/11/2020	116	Yes		
17/11/2020	91	Yes		
01/12/2020	91	No	Yes	
01/12/2020	91			Duplicate entry
15/12/2020	122	Yes		
15/12/2020	122			Duplicate entry



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VERIFICATION FORM	
Period Ending	14/3/2021 WEEK 1
Establishment	3416 MERAMIST PTY LTD
Shift: 1	Chain: 1

No	Activity	Comments	Init	A/U	Date
0001	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 1	NO PRODUCTION		NR	8/03/2021
0002	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 2	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	9/03/2021
0003	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 3	FSMA: s. 22(1)(a)(ii) AS PER PMV SHEET	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	10/03/2021
0004	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 4	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	11/03/2021
0005	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 5	BONE ONLY.		NR	12/03/2021
0006	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 6	NO PRODUCTION		NR	13/03/2021
0007	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 7	NO PRODUCTION		NR	14/03/2021
0008	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 1	NO PRODUCTION		NR	date
0009	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 2	Carcases checked: 11; Carcase numbers: 59-64; Time: 1007. PHI Score: 0.27. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): . Defects (Minor): 1x minor specks/dust; 2x minor foreign object;	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	9/03/2021



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		Offal pieces checked: 40 Time: 10:37. PHI Score: 0.08. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): 1x major hair/wool strands; . Defects (Minor):			
0010	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 3	Carcases checked: 5; Carcase numbers: 17 onwards; Time: 6:45. PHI Score: 0. Defects (ZT): 0x ZT. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): . Defects (Minor): Offal pieces checked: 40 Time: 7:00. PHI Score: 0. Defects (ZT): 0x ZT; . Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): . Defects (Minor):	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	10/03/2021
0011	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 4	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)		A	11/03/2021
0012	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 5			NR	12/03/2021
0013	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 6	NO PRODUCTION		NR	13/03/2020
0014	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 7	NO PRODUCTION		NR	14/03/2021
0015	Pre-operative hygiene – Weekly	Area (BR): 06.10 QA s. 47F(1) Steriliser Temp 83.4C. Observations: Bone dust on wall behind ¼ chiller door. Blood splash on hand rail on MHA stand. Condensation on ceiling along boners stand. All findings cleaned prior to start of production. Acceptable	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	12/03/2021
0016	Boning room ZT/MHA product - Bi-Weekly 1	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)		A	8/03/2021
0017	Boning room ZT/MHA product - Bi-Weekly 2			A	12/03/2021
0018	Microbiological testing program -	HORSE PRODUCTION		NR	date



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	Salmonella - Bi-Weekly 1	BR QA s. 47F(1) collected random Salmonella swab from horse BN 7/2 @ 09.04am on 27/01/21. Sterile swab collection technique with correct sampling sites and sequence. Labelling of sample acceptable.			
0019	Microbiological testing program - Salmonella - Bi-Weekly 2	HORSE PRODUCTION BR QA s. 47F(1) collected Salmonella swab from str/hfr BN 93/1 @ 9.40am on 1/12/20. Sterile swab collection technique with correct sampling sites and sequence. Labelling of sample acceptable.		NR	date
0020	Microbiological testing program - E. coli - Weekly	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)		NR	date
0021	Trichinella testing - Weekly	Verified preparation and microscopy of samples from horse BN 1-20 @ 11:01am; Slide diagnostic and negative for Trichinella.	s. 22(1)(a)(i)	A	09/03/2021
0022	EU Program Verification - Weekly	1. No EU loadout this week. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Verified segregation and signage of all EU product in carton chiller and freezer: 336 cartons of chilled vp horse meat present in carton chiller on stillages. In the freezer, there are 622 cartons frozen horse meat segregated in bay 19. - The cross section observed within the container, Label details are correct. - Visualised labels were in correct format. - EU packaging requirements (for example, tamper-evident EU carton seals), including resealing, are met. EU segregation for part loads, was observed between human consumption and pet food. Seal register observed and signed by OPV for used seal.		NR	date
0023	Product integrity and certification - Weekly	Verified application of DAWE security seals to strategic points around chillers after production on 25/01/21 in order to satisfy USA requirements for segregation of horse meat from beef. Seal # 326294-326298 used with FSMA verifying seals intact before being breached by CR before production on 27/01/21.		NR	date
0024	NLIS - Weekly	PIC Based status checks- All completed and all "Clear no Test".	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	11/03/2021



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		<p>Kill date 10/3/21: One PIC verified as clear/no test: Total kill of 72 cattle: QCBS0245 describing 72 Wagyu cows.</p> <p>Kill date 11/3/21: Three PIC's verified as clear/no test: Total kill of 72 cattle: QCBS0245 describing 72 Wagyu cows.</p> <p>Device status checks complete at knocking box when devices scanned- No warning statuses reported to OPV. OPV verified SD 10/3/21 and 11/3/21 that no status warnings were reported to OPV from knocking box.</p> <p>No mobs reported to have been held in remote holding yards. For kill dates 10/3/21 and 11/3/21, all cattle were delivered to Est3416 from private PIC's the day before the kill.</p> <p>Kill data upload- checked dated All data uploaded into NLIS system. Upload data 28/1/2021: 196/198 RFID tags uploaded from knock box = 99%. ACCEPTABLE.</p>			
0025	NVD - Weekly	<p>Verify each lot presented for slaughter is accompanied by valid NVD / PSS / HVD:</p> <p><u>Horse Kill Date 9/3/21</u> Lot 1 : s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> HVD # 61983– QABH0503 – 6 horses <u>Secondary</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ HVD # 61982 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61980– 1 mare and gelding – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61979 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61978 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61977 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) <p>Lot 2: s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> NVD # 61278 – 12 horses – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ HVD # 61279 – 5 mares – s. 47F(1) 	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)A		11/03/2021



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		<p>→ HVD # 61277 – 2 geldings / 3 mares – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 61280 – 2 geldings – s. 47F(1) .</p> <p>Lot 3: s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> NVD # 59884 – 25 horses – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u> → HVD # 59882 – 4 geldings/ 9 mares – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 60069 - 14 gelding – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 59883 – 3 geldings/ 1 mare – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 59871 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 59881 – 1 stallion / 1 mare – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 59929 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1). → HVD # 59939 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 59940 – 2 geldings – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 4: s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> NVD # 62165 – 12 geldings / 2 mares / 1 colt – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u> → NVD # 62163 – 2 geldings / 2 mares / 1 colt – s. 47F(1) → NVD # 62164 – 10 geldings – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 5: KLAN <u>Primary</u> NVD # 61094 – 22 brumbies (QABH0503) – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u> → NVD # 61907 – 6 geldings / 15 mares / 1 colt – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 6: s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> NVD # 61095 – 11 horses (QJCB0503) – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u> → NVD # 61906 – 1 mare / 3 geldings / 1 colt – s. 47F(1) → NVD # 61908 – 2 mares – s. 47F(1) → NVD # 61909 – 4 mares – s. 47F(1)</p>			
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		<p>Lot 7: s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> NVD # 61351 – 3 horses (2 geldings / 1 mare) – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 8: s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> NVD # 61700 – 4 horses – s. 47F(1) <u>Secondary</u> → HVD # 61333 – 2 mares / 2 geldings – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 9: s. 47F(1) <u>Primary</u> NVD # 58937 – 1 mare.</p> <p>NLIS database reports generated for all PIC numbers before each kill and available to OPV to verify at time of ante-mortem to ensure no check statues are attached.</p> <p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii)</p>			
		<p>Horse description check- HVD- Horses in yards consistent with description – 9/3/2021; Lot 3, the vendor s. 47F(1) – 25 horses on kill sheet – HVD 59884 describing 11 geldings, 13 mares and 1 stallion with all horses matching description on document.</p>			
0026	<p>Slaughter floor process CTC – Monthly: HORSE</p>	<p>HORSE PRODUCTION: MEVS SF Process monitoring verification check conducted with SF QA s. 47F(1) @ 10:07am on 9/3/21: FINDINGS: 1. Low trim exposed street clothes. Repeat issue from CTC 25/1/21. 2. Head removal operator: No sterilising knife after steeling. No soap use after removing hide from head. 3. Splitting saw operator: No soap use after removing visible contamination from side. 4. OPV could not verify label reconciliation.</p> <p>MEVS SF Process monitoring verification</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)A		9/03/2021



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		check conducted with SF QA s. 47F(1) @ 10:50am on 25/1/21: FINDINGS: 1. Two operators street clothes exposed: low trim and safety officer. 2. Blood on side of gut trolley after cleaning. Not observed CTC 9/3/21. 3. Neck dragging on floor: no neck hooks in tub. Not observed CTC 9/3/21			
0028	Animal handling CTC - Monthly	Animal handling and movement verified with s. 47F(1) @ 12:45 on 11/03/21: Findings: 1. Holes in ground adjacent to troughs yard 5 and 6. 2. Build up mud yards 5 and 6: require cleaning out. 3. Rubbish in OPV suspect sink. HORSE PRODUCTION: Animal handling and movement verified with s. 47F(1) @ 09:12 on 28/01/21: Findings: No Findings. Process acceptable.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)A	A	11/03/2021
0029	Slaughter floor process CTC – Monthly: BEEF		s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	11/03/2021
0030	HGP-free testing - Monthly	Not collected as of 9/3/21		NR	date
0031	STEC and 0157 testing IVA - Monthly	Not collected as of 9/3/21		NR	date

Additional Comments:

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VERIFICATION FORM	
Period Ending	28/03/2021 WEEK 2
Establishment	3416 MERAMIST PTY LTD
Shift: 1	Chain: 1

No	Activity	Comments	Init	A/U	Date
0001	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 1	NO KILL: BONE ONLY.		NR	22/03/2021
0002	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 2	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	23/03/2021
0003	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 3			NR	24/03/2021
0004	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 4	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	25/03/2021
0005	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 5	NO KILL: BONE ONLY.		NR	26/03/2021
0006	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 6	NO PRODUCTION		NR	date
0007	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 7	NO PRODUCTION		NR	date
0008	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 1	NO KILL: BONE ONLY.		NR	22/03/2021
0009	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 2	Carcases checked: 11; Carcase numbers: 106-111; Time: 13.05. PHI Score: 0.18. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): . Defects (Minor): 1x minor hide/scurf/toe-nails; 1x minor foreign object; Offal pieces checked: 40 Time: 13.24. PHI Score: 0. Defects (ZT): 0x ZT; . Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): .	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	23/03/2021



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		Defects (Major): . Defects (Minor):			
0010	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product – Day	NO KILL: BONE ONLY.		NR	24/03/2021
0011	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 4	Carcases checked: 11; Carcase numbers: 122-127; Time: 12.49. PHI Score: 2.36. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 2x Pathology. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): 1x major bruises, clots, offal; 1x major specks/dust; 1x major hair/wool strands; 1x major hair/wool cluster;. Defects (Minor): 2x minor hair strands; Offal pieces checked: 40 Time: 12.11. PHI Score: 0.28. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): 2x major hair/wool strands; 1x major smear/stain; . Defects (Minor): 2x minor hair strands;	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	25/03/2021
0012	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 5	NO KILL: BONE ONLY.		NR	26/03/2021
0013	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 6	NO PRODUCTION		NR	date
0014	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 7	NO PRODUCTION		NR	date
0015	Pre-operative hygiene - Weekly	At 06.00 QA s. 47F(1); Dead flies in hoppers in gut room ; Strapping debri and rusty blades in drop hook tub along with drop hooks. All issues rectified prior to production	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	25/03/2021
0016	Boning room ZT/MHA product - Bi-Weekly 1	Horse Carcases checked: 10; Carcase numbers: Time: 10.35. PHI Score: 1.2. Defects (ZT): 1x ZT. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): . Defects (Minor): 2x minor specks/dust; NCI ISSUED.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	U	22/03/2021
0017	Boning room ZT/MHA product - Bi-Weekly 2	Carcases checked: 10; Carcase numbers: ; Time: 10.50. PHI Score: 0.1. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): . Defects (Minor): 1x minor hair strands;	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	24/03/2021
0018	Microbiological testing program - Salmonella - Bi-Weekly 1	With QA s. 47F(1)@ 10.40am. Verified preparation and collection of Salmonella sample from random horse BN 20/1 as part of present window of 58: Sterile collection technique with correct site, sequence and packaging of sample.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	24/03/2021
0019	Microbiological testing program - Salmonella - Bi-Weekly 2	Only one Salmonella verification required weekly.		NR	date
0020	Microbiological testing program - E. coli - Weekly	Horse Production: QA s. 47F(1) One random body selected and swabbed as part of present open E coli window of 15:	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	24/03/2021



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		<p>@ 07.10 Body # 12/1 acceptable</p> <p>Sterile technique with correct sampling site, sequence, labelling and storage.</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	18/03/2021
0021	Trichinella testing - Weekly	<p>Verified preparation and microscopy of samples from horse BN41-60 @ 11.55am:</p> <p>Diagnostic sample negative for Trichinella.</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	23/03/2021
0022	EU segregation program - Weekly	<p>EU loadout verified by OPV 14/1/21: 364 cartons chilled vp horse fq/hq cuts observed segregated on stillages in carton chiller. At 2pm on 14/1/21, observed all cartons loaded into container # CRLU3180078 before being sealed by OPV using seal # 888100. Container leaving Brisbane on 19/1/21 bound for Antwerp on "TANTUNG". Load to be validated as RFP# 9062246 on 15/1/21 by FSMA s. 22(1)(a)(ii).</p> <p>All observed cartons contained intact carton seals with lids now glued on and more stable.</p> <p>EU packaging requirements (for example, tamper-evident EU carton seals), including resealing, were met.</p> <p>Seal register observed and signed by OPV verifying the above seal was applied.</p> <p>Product segregation: Above product segregated in carton chiller on stillages 14/1/21 am.</p> <p>Unsatisfactory MTCs – nil</p> <p>Verification of compliance with EU official Marks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily issue and reconciliation of EU carton seals - Company controlled, reconciliation records for seals used, seals broken and resealed for temp testing acceptable. E-in-Oval official marks- computer generated-IoA for extra small E-in-Oval on Carton end panel label. <p>Container seal reconciliation: Checked.</p> <p>Verification of compliance with EU Load-out Department Officer: s. 22(1)(a)(ii) Date: 26/03/2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Container: MSCU3621902 Destination: ANTWERP BELGIUM 	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	26/03/2021



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Port Mark: NIL Temp checks: 7 Range acceptable 1.1c to 3.1c RFP No.: 9129717 Total Ctns: 613 of chilled horse meat. Seal No. 888129 Load in of EU product - N/A EU RFP/MTC reconciliation - NA EU RFP validation after load verification check or presentation of acceptable EU paperwork. Unsatisfactory MTCs- N/A <p>Mass balance or total units reasonability test- EU product reconciliation reports for each production date- reasonable unit check acceptable</p>			
0023	Product integrity and certification - Weekly	As per USA requirements to ensure secure segregation of horse meat produced at Est3416, verified placement of security seals at strategic points (12, 14, 1, 10, 9, and office) around chillers 1 to 3 after horse production on 23/03/21 with all seals secure when breached by FSMA before production on 10/02/21. Seal numbers 326330-326335.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	24/03/2021
0024	NLIS - Weekly	<p>Checked kill sheet records dated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PIC Based status checks- All completed and all "Clear no Test": <p>No PIC status required for horse kill 23/3/21.</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	25/03/2021

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0025	NVD - Weekly	<p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii)</p> <p><u>Horse Kill date 23/3/2021:</u></p> <p>Lot 1: s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>HVD # 61353 – 16 horses – s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Secondary</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ HVD # 61335 – 2 mares / 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61336 – 3 geldings – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61337 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61338 – 3 mares / 4 geldings – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61335 – 2 mares – s. 47F(1) <p>Lot 2: KLAN</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>HVD # 61988 – 6 horses (QABH0305) – s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Secondary</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ NVD # 61987 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) ➔ NVD # 61908 – 2 mares / 1 colt – s. 47F(1) ➔ NVD # 61984 – 1 mares – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 61981 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) <p>Lot 3: s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>NVD # 58938 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) .</p> <p>Lot 4: s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>HVD # 62049 – 47 horses – s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Secondary</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➔ HVD # 62026 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62027 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62028 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62030 – 2 mares – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62047 – 2 mares / 3 geldings – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62024 – 4 mares – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62037 – 2 mares / 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62045 – 2 geldings – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62038 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62048 – 3 geldings – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62044 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62043 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) ➔ HVD # 62042 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) 	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	16/03/2021
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		<p>→ HVD # 62041 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62040 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62039 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62033 – 2 mares / 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62034 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62032 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62025 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62023 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62046 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62035 – 2 mares – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62036 – 2 geldings – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62031 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62029 – 4 mares / 2 geldings – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 5: EVANS (ND500707)- s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>HVD # 59942 – 27 brumbies.</p> <p><u>Secondary</u></p> <p>→ HVD # 59941 – 27 brumbies – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 6: KLAN</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>HVD # 61849 – 34 horses (QABH0305) – s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Secondary</u></p> <p>→ HVD # 61765 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61766 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61912 – 6 mares / 4 geldings – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61911 – 9 mares / 10 geldings / 1 colt – s. 47F(1).</p> <p>→ NVD # 62166 – 2 mares – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>NLIS database reports generated for all PIC numbers before each kill and available to OPV to verify at time of ante-mortem to ensure no check statuses are attached.</p> <p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii)</p> <p>Horse description check- HVD- Horses in yards consistent with description – 23/3/2021; Lot 4, the vendor s. 47F(1) – 47 horses on kill sheet – HVD 62049 describing 23 geldings and 24 mares with all horses matching description on document.</p> <p>• At least ten HVDs for kill date 23/3/21</p>			
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		were reviewed as acceptable at ante-mortem. Establishment staff identify and rectify minor non critical non-compliance issues prior to slaughter- including; SEE DETAILS ABOVE.			
0026	Boning room process CTC - Monthly	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	26/03/2021
0027	HGP-free testing - Monthly		s. 22(1)(a)(ii) 26/3	A	25/03/2021
0028	STEC and 0157 testing IVA - Monthly		s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	26/03/2021
0029	Non-critical process CTC - Monthly	With SF QA s. 47F(1) on 25/3/21 @ 1.45pm on 25/3/21: Findings: 1. A lot of flies in hide on ante-room. 2. Soap dispenser ante-room rear of SF broken. 3. No towel dispenser ante-room rear of SF. 4. Condemn bin rear of SF still leaking. Repeat issue from last CTC. 5. Three uteruses sitting in foetal blood room for some time as dry in appearance. 6. A lot of offal on floor of petfood room with excessive build up of product on table and mincer overflowing. 7. Reason for points 5 and 6 is that same operator is in charge of foetal blood and petfood. 8. Leak condemn bin attached to petfood room. 9. Exposed carton material in secondary carton room with shrink wrap damaged NCI to be issued. NCP monitoring verification conducted with SF	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	U	25/03/2021



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		QA s. 47F(1) Time: 10.45am on 11/2/21: Findings: 1. Leak in condemn bin rear of SF with blood running on to concrete: pest risk. Issue remains CTC 25/3/21. 2. Drain to dry goods store blocked with mud/slush being transferred in to room by fork lift. 3. Lack of fly baits SF rendering area.			
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Additional Comments:

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With SF QA s. 47F(1) on 25/3/21 @ 1.45pm on 25/3/21:

Findings:

1. A lot of flies in hide on ante-room.
2. Soap dispenser ante-room rear of SF broken.
3. No towel dispenser ante-room rear of SF.
4. Condemn bin rear of SF still leaking. Repeat issue from last CTC.
5. Three uteruses sitting in foetal blood room for some time as dry in appearance.
6. A lot of offal on floor of petfood room with excessive build up of product on table and mincer overflowing.
7. Reason for points 5 and 6 is that same operator is in charge of foetal blood and petfood.
8. Leak condemn bin attached to petfood room.
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VERIFICATION FORM	
Period Ending	11/04/2021 WEEK 2
Establishment	3416 MERAMIST PTY LTD
Shift: 1	Chain: 1

No	Activity	Comments	Init	A/U	Date
0001	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 1	PUBLIC HOLIDAY.		NR	5/04/2021
0002	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 2	Horse PRODUCTION FSMA: s. 22(1)(a)(ii) Inspection procedures: Head/Viscera/Carcase Inspection: Time:10.01; BN: 66-76; NC issues - nil Product Verification: Carcase Product defects:; BN:52-62; NFSP defects – nil @ 9.29am Offal Product Defects: Time: 9.12am NFSP defects – Nil. Offal Inspection Procedures: Time: 10.01 am: Nil inspection defects.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	6/04/2021
0003	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 3	NO KILL: BONE ONLY.		NR	7/04/2021
0004	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 4	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	8/04/2021
0005	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 5			NR	9/04/2021
0006	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 6	NO PRODUCTION		NR	date
0007	Post-mortem verification – FSMAs and/or AAOs - Day 7	NO PRODUCTION		NR	date
0008	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 1	PUBLIC HOLIDAY.		NR	5/04/2021
0009	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 2	Carcases checked: 11; Carcase numbers: 52-57; Time: 09.29. PHI Score: 1.55. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): 2x major hair/wool strands; 2x major hair/wool cluster; 1x major hide/scurf/toe-nails; . Defects (Minor): 2x minor hair strands; Offal pieces checked: 40 Time: 09.12. PHI Score: 0.03. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): .	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	6/04/2021



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		Defects (Major): . Defects (Minor): 1x minor hair strands;			
0010	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product – Day	NO KILL: BONE ONLY.		NR	7/04/2021
0011	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 4	Carcases checked: 11; Carcase numbers: 30-35; Time: 07.44. PHI Score: 0.27. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): 1x major bruises, clots, offal; . Defects (Minor): Offal pieces checked: 40 Time: 08.16. PHI Score: 0.05. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): . Defects (Major): . Defects (Minor): 2x minor hair strands;	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	8/04/2021
0012	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 5	NO KILL: BONE ONLY.		NR	9/04/2021
0013	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 6	NO PRODUCTION		NR	date
0014	Slaughter floor and offal room ZT/MHA product - Day 7	NO PRODUCTION		NR	date
0015	Pre-operative hygiene - Weekly		s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	08/04/2021
0016	Boning room ZT/MHA product - Bi-Weekly 1	HORSE PRODUCTION: Carcases checked: 10; Carcase numbers: Time: 06.35. Trimmer Clint, PHI Score: 0.9. Defects (ZT): 0. Defects (Path): 0. Defects (Critical): 1 Critical hair on shank Defects (Major): nil Defects (Minor): 1 x hide piece on flank, 2 Minor hairs on butt	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	7/04/2021
0017	Boning room ZT/MHA product - Bi-Weekly 2	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	9/04/2021
0018	Microbiological testing program - Salmonella - Bi-Weekly 1	With QA s. 47F(1) @ 9.05am. Verified preparation and collection of Salmonella sample from horse BN 30/2 as part of present window of 58: Sterile collection technique with correct site, sequence and packaging of sample.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	7/04/2021
0019	Microbiological testing program - Salmonella - Bi-Weekly 2	Only one Salmonella verification required weekly.		NR	date
0020	Microbiological testing program - E. coli - Weekly	Horse Production: QA s. 47F(1) One random body selected and swabbed as part of present open E coli window of 15: @ 07.17 on 07/04/21, Body # 7/1 acceptable Sterile technique with correct sampling site, sequence, labelling and storage.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	07/04/2021 date



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0021	Trichinella testing - Weekly	Verified preparation and microscopy of samples from horse BN 21-40 @ 11.05am: Diagnostic sample negative for Trichinella.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	6/04/2021
0022	EU segregation program - Weekly	<p>EU loadout verified by OPV 14/1/21: 364 cartons chilled vp horse fq/hq cuts observed segregated on stillages in carton chiller. At 2pm on 14/1/21, observed all cartons loaded into container # CRLU3180078 before being sealed by OPV using seal # 888100. Container leaving Brisbane on 19/1/21 bound for Antwerp on "TANTUNG". Load to be validated as RFP# 9062246 on 15/1/21 by FSMA s. 22(1)(a)(ii).</p> <p>All observed cartons contained intact carton seals with lids now glued on and more stable.</p> <p>EU packaging requirements (for example, tamper-evident EU carton seals), including resealing, were met.</p> <p>Seal register observed and signed by OPV verifying the above seal was applied.</p> <p>Product segregation: Above product segregated in carton chiller on stillages 14/1/21 am.</p> <p>Unsatisfactory MTCs – nil</p> <p>Verification of compliance with EU official Marks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily issue and reconciliation of EU carton seals - Company controlled, reconciliation records for seals used, seals broken and resealed for temp testing acceptable. E-in-Oval official marks- computer generated-IoA for extra small E-in-Oval on Carton end panel label. <p>Container seal reconciliation: Checked.</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	26/03/2021
0023	Product integrity and certification - Weekly	As per USA requirements to ensure secure segregation of horse meat produced at Est3416, verified placement of security seals at strategic points (12, 14, 1, 10, 9 and office) around chillers 1 to 3 after horse production on 6/04/21 with all seals secure when breached by FSMA before BR production on 7/04/21. Seal numbers 326339-326344.	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	7/04/2021
0024	NLIS - Weekly	<p>Checked kill sheet records dated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PIC Based status checks- All completed and all "Clear no Test": <p>No PIC status required for horse kill 6/4/21.</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	8/04/2021

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0025	NVD - Weekly	<p>→ Kill reconciliation with NVD & Saleyard documents- mobs including Saleyard mobs:</p> <p><u>Horse Kill date 6/4/2021:</u></p> <p>Lot 1: s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>HVD # 61992 – 7 horses (QABH0305) – s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Secondary</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → NVD # 61991 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) → NVD # 61990 – 1 mare / 1 colt s. 47F(1) → NVD # 61989 – 2 geldings / 1 mare – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 61986 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) <p>Lot 2: s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>HVD # 61354 – 14 horses – s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Secondary</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → HVD # 61340 – 2 mares / 2 geldings – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 61341 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 61343 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 61345 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 61342 – 5 mares – s. 47F(1) → HVD # 61346 – 2 mares – s. 47F(1) <p>Lot 3: s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>HVD # 61353 – 9 horses – s. 47F(1)</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	8/04/2021



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		<p><u>Secondary</u></p> <p>→ HVD # 61347 – 2 mares / 7 geldings – s. 47F s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 4: EVANS (ND500707)- s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>HVD # 59944 – 25 horses.</p> <p><u>Secondary</u></p> <p>→ HVD # 59883 – 1 mare / 1 gelding – s. 47 s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 59868 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 59931 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 59932 – 1 mare / 1 gelding – s. 47F s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 60069 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 59881 – 1 stallion / 1 colt – s. 47 s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 59882 – 1 mare – Attunga Equine Centre.</p> <p>→ HVD # 59943 – 2 mares / 2 geldings – s. 47 s. 47F(1).</p> <p>→ HVD # 59887 – 1 mare / 1 stallion – s. 47 s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 60151 – 2 mares / 2 geldings – s. 47F s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 59885 – 2 mares / 1 gelding – s. 47 Baxter.</p> <p>→ HVD # 59886 – 1 mare / 1 filly – s. 47F s. 47F(1)</p> <p>Lot 5: s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Primary</u></p> <p>HVD # 61914 – 29 horses (QABH0305) – s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Secondary</u></p> <p>→ NVD # 61767 – 6 geldings / 1 mare – s. 47 s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 61096 – 2 mares – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ NVD # 62167 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 61913 – 3 mares / 2 geldings – s. 47 s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 61097 – 1 colt / 1 gelding / 1 mare - s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 61768 – 3 mares / 3 geldings – s. 47 s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62170 – 1 mare – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62168 – 1 gelding – s. 47F(1)</p> <p>→ HVD # 62169 – 3 mares - s. 47F(1)</p> <p>NLIS database reports generated for all PIC numbers before each kill and available to OPV to verify at time of ante-mortem to ensure no check statuses are attached.</p>			
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		<p>Horse description check- HVD- Horses in yards consistent with description – 23/3/2021; Lot 4, the vendor s. 47F(1) – 47 horses on kill sheet – HVD 62049 describing 23 geldings and 24 mares with all horses matching description on document.</p> <p>• At least ten HVDs for kill date 6/3/21 were reviewed as acceptable at ante-mortem. Establishment staff identify and rectify minor non critical non-compliance issues prior to slaughter- including;</p> <p>SEE DETAILS ABOVE.</p>			
0026	Boning room process CTC - Monthly	<p>Date: 7/04/2021 Time: 10.05;</p> <p>Horse Production</p> <p>BR process monitoring verification check was performed with QA officer s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Findings:</u></p> <p>1: Light adjacent to second cryovac machine not working with dirty cover.</p> <p>2: Condensation over product above red belt second ceiling join.</p> <p>3. I carton room, operator placing unlined carton over liners.</p> <p>4. Drain from scribe saw steriliser exposed and leaking on to floor.</p> <p>One non-conformity involving a slicing operator with exposed street shirt observed and corrected by QA who will continue to monitor.</p> <p>Overall Boning room process monitoring CTC outcome was acceptable.</p> <p>Date: 10/02/2021 Time: 07.15;</p> <p>Horse Production</p> <p>BR process monitoring verification check was performed with QA officer s. 47F(1)</p> <p><u>Findings:</u></p> <p>1: Cartons stacked incorrectly cardboard to plastic Not observed CTC 7/4/21.</p> <p>2: Heavily soiled aprons left hanging in BR @ smoko. Not observed CTC 7/4/21</p> <p>3: Rib saw left in hand wash basin at scanning area. Not observed CTC 7/4/21.</p>	s. 22(1)(a)(ii) A	7/04/2021	
0027	HGP-free testing - Monthly	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	8/04/2021	



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0028	STEC and 0157 testing IVA - Monthly	Sample for Apr 21 not collected as yet.		A	date
0029	Non-critical process CTC - Monthly	<p>NCP monitoring verification conducted with SF QA s. 47F(1) Time: 1.05pm on 8/4/21:</p> <p><u>Findings:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pieces of offal on floor of pet food room. Repeat finding from CTC 29/3/21. 2. Made up cartons touching wall main carton room. 3. Dust on top of carton making machine main carton room. 4. Pallets of unmade cartons touching wall lower dry goods store. 5. Exterior drain to lower dry goods store blocked with mud/slush being transferred in to room by fork lift. Repeat finding from CTC 11/2/21. <p>NCP monitoring verification conducted with SF QA s. 47F(1) Time: 10.45am on 25/3/21:</p> <p><u>Findings:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A lot of flies in hide on ante-room. 2. Soap dispenser ante-room rear of SF broken. 3. No towel dispenser ante-room rear of SF. 4. Condemn bin rear of SF still leaking. Repeat issue from last CTC. 5. Three uteruses sitting in foetal blood room for some time (dry in appearance). 6. A lot of offal on floor of petfood room with excessive build up of product on table and mincer overflowing. 7. Reason for points 5 and 6 is that same operator is in charge of foetal blood and petfood. 8. Leak condemn bin attached to petfood room. 9. Exposed carton material in secondary carton room with shrink wrap damaged. NCI ISSUED. 	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	A	8/04/2021

Additional Comments:

Department of Agriculture and Water Resources Name: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)



A U D I T R E P O R T

Est/Name: MERAMIST PTY LTD

Est No: 3416

Audit Type: Periodic Audit (Multi)

Report Status: FINAL AUDIT REPORT

Audit Period From: 13/01/2021

To: 23/02/2021

Audit Criteria:

Export Control Act

Export Control (Meat and Meat Products) Orders 2005

Australian Standard for the Hygienic Production of Meat and Meat Products for Human Consumption

AS4696

Audit Scope:

Audit Scope - Quality System Support

Audit Scope - HACCP / Non conforming product

Audit Scope - Good Hygienic Practice

Audit Scope - Sanitation

Audit Scope - Personnel hygiene

Audit Scope - Chemicals

Audit Scope - Pest control

Audit Scope - Water

Audit Scope - Approved suppliers

Audit Scope - Structure and equipment

Audit Scope - Product Supply Chain Integrity

Audit Scope - Animal welfare and handling

Audit Scope - Inspection

Overall Audit Outcome: Acceptable

Est Rating:

Est SCA Score: 0

Audit Conclusion:

The ATM audit for February 2021 audit period for this establishment was conducted on 23rd February 2021.

The today's audit have resulted in acceptable audit outcome. Company operational performance was assessed during the audit and found acceptable. During the audit horse slaughter assessed but no boning operation was conducted. The process and product were assessed and were found to be acceptable.

Records examined include :-

MHA records, Water testing, Pre Operational Sanitation, Operational Sanitation, Personal Hygiene, Vermin Control, Chemical use, Waste Control, Refrigeration, Area work Instructions and HACCP; PHI records such as MHA Product and Process, ESAM, Surface and Personnel micro swabbing Program

Company to follow up and take corrective and preventive measures for all identified issues in this report and to all issues raised through the MEVS system during the audit period. A number of structural deficiencies were identified during past audits and at today's audit need to be progressed to completion in a timely manner.

The audit hours for charging

23rd February – Total of 7 hrs charged.



Audit Observations and Comments:

0001, Quality System Support,

Company has responded to monthly audit report findings through weekly meeting reports.

The company investigation report that identify the root cause, and the corrective and preventive actions undertaken for water testing failures during Dec 20-Jan21 was not available at today's audit for auditor to review. This needs to be provided to OPV and ATM for review (CA).

0002, HACCP / Non conforming product,

Salmonella window down to 48 after two negative horse carcass results 14/2/21(Symbio cert# B996349).

E coli window for horse carcass swabs to restart at 15 due to positive result received 14/2/21 (Symbio cert # B996349).

NCL.MNC-2102-0064 issued due to two zero tolerance defects found in boning room on 12/2/21.

0003, Good Hygienic Practice,

Carcasses examined at MHA and tails examined in offal room had some hide dirt and specks, most of which were identified by the auditor for trimming (CA).

0004, Sanitation,

BR 17/2/21:

Multiple pieces of dropped meat and bagged dropped primals piled on top of each other on dropped meat table.

Cartons stacked on top of exposed meat in other cartons on rollers at bulk packing area.

ATM Audit 23/2/21:

The operative at hock cutting station was not rinsing hands and knife. Knife was placed into steriliser with blood buildup on handle and the operator was touching soap dispenser allowing blood to accumulate on the dispenser (CA).

The split saw operator was observed not to be washing hands effectively between carcasses and blood was allowed to accumulate on apron as well (CA).

Blood was not washed from knocking box floor and structures before the smoko break (CA).

Excessive blood pooling was observed on the floor in the sticking/rodding area and this was not cleaned during smoko (CA).

Second loading dock in dispatch remains without air curtains. Company and OPV to conduct risk assessment and provide report to ATM (CA).



Waste fluid from blocked drainage pipe was puddling and accumulating over concrete pathways and surrounds of the carton stores. Cross contamination risk to forklift carrying cartons from carton stores (CA).

0005, Personal hygiene,

There were dirty knives and aprons stored in a personal gear storage rack in the white offal room during smoko break (CA).

0006, Chemicals,

Soap bottle without lid and labelling was stored in the hide on ante-room and the bottle was left to remain when auditor re-visited the same area later on the day (CA).

0007, Pest control,

The toxic rodent bait map is not clear and this needs to be reviewed. The baits have to be identified individually and the adequacy of the toxic bait stations to prevent any rodent ingress need to be assessed (CA).

0008, Water,

Acceptable

0009, Refrigeration,

Some snow buildup noted on the plates of plate freezer.

0010, Approved suppliers,

Acceptable

0011, Structure and equipment,

The MHA lighting at the bottom section of the carcass was inadequate due to shadowing (CA).

Light CH3 still not working (see previous CTC 21/1/21).

Findings freezer stores CTC 2/2/21:

1. Main fans dispatch not cleaned: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20.
2. Dripping condensation adjacent to new ceiling drain at junction of 2nd and 3rd ceiling join: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20.
3. Light entering at base of exterior door from dispatch due to damaged rubber seal
4. Exterior door rear of plate room large gap at bottom left corner.
5. No air curtain second loading dock: Installation date? Repeat issue from 2020.

0012, Product Supply Chain Integrity,

Chiller 3 door at the back of the chiller was not lockable potentially compromising horse carcass security



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(CA).

0013, Importing country requirements,

Acceptable

0014, Animal welfare and handling,

The CAR was closed and company to monitor in an ongoing basis any issues associated to baulking of horses in the race.

0015, Inspection,

Acceptable

Auditors, Observers and Audit Participants:

Position	Name
Lead Auditor	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
Auditor	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Department of Agriculture Lead Auditor: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Designation: Area Technical Manager Signature: Date: 23/02/2021

Department of Agriculture Auditor: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Designation: On-Plant Vet Signature: Date: 23/02/2021

Company Representative: s. 47F(1)

I acknowledge receipt of this report and understand the CARs. I agree to provide rectification by the dates specified in the CAR reports.

Designation: Admin M'ment & Meat Auth Sig Signature: Date: 23/02/2021



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AUDIT REPORT

Est/Name: MERAMIST PTY LTD

Est No: 3416

Audit Type: Periodic Audit (Multi)

Report Status: FINAL AUDIT REPORT

Audit Period From: 24/02/2021

To: 24/03/2021

Audit Criteria:

Export Control Act

Export Control (Meat and Meat Products) Orders 2005

Australian Standard for the Hygienic Production of Meat and Meat Products for Human Consumption
AS4696

Audit Scope:

Audit Scope - Importing country requirements

Audit Scope - Quality System Support

Audit Scope - HACCP / Non conforming product

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Audit Scope - Product Supply Chain Integrity

Audit Scope - Animal welfare and handling

Audit Scope - Inspection

Audit Scope - Refrigeration

Overall Audit Outcome: Acceptable

Audit Conclusion:

The ATM audit for the month of March 2021 was conducted on 24th March 2021 was rated acceptable with two CARs and one NCI issued. This audit cover boning of horse carcasses, load out, product storage and some ancillary areas. Company operational performance was assessed during the audit and found acceptable.

The process and product were assessed and found to be acceptable.
During this audit GHP and product integrity were examined in detailed.

Company to follow up and take corrective and preventive measures for all audit findings and CAR in consultation with OPV prior to next audit.

The audit hours chargeable:

24th March – From 8:00 am to 16:00



Audit Observations and Comments:

0001, Quality System Support,

The elements of the Quality system support found to be acceptable.

Company have submitted 13 SOPs for ATM approval however review found that many did not have gone through OPV recommendation therefore ATM could not progress its approval.

Animal welfare SOP approval will be provided in consultation with regular ATM.

0002, HACCP / Non conforming product,

All CCPs met critical limits during the audit period.

NCI.MNC-2103-0114 issued due to zt finding by FSMA in BR 22/3/21.

Micro assessment of horse carcasses found a window in progress for Salmonella with 48 acceptable samples to date. A new window for E coli commenced on 14/2/21.

OPV informed that has not received micro results from laboratory since 14/2/21. Company was advised to contact lab., Marginal

0003, Good Hygienic Practice, Overall BR and load out procedures performed have negligent risk for food safety except the finding below:

A CAR: MNC-2103-0131 issued for non-compliance of drop meat procedures.

Several GHP issues during SF CTC 9/3/21 and 11/3/21: Refer to last WM.

0004, Sanitation,

Pre- operational and operational hygiene generally found acceptable during this period.

Some findings are:

Cross contamination due to

Condensation on the ceiling of the BR ante room, scales and storage areas.

Dirty aprons in the ante-room from previous day.

Product contact items not contain from cross-contamination eg carcass robes, plastics.

Exposed packaging material in contact with boxes that are exposed to environment.

Pre-trim operator removing trim pieces by hand and not washing with soap.

0005, Personal hygiene ,

Generally, personal hygiene practices has been acceptable.

Some findings are:

Only one set of amenities is currently used for all production workers including hide on operators. There could be potential cross-contamination due to mixing of workers without adequate segregation by space and time. Management was advised of a lack of a system and to demonstrate compliance in this area. This also need to consider in the event of horse and beef being processed in the same day.

Some operators hair/bear is not properly contained.

Male amenity examined found poor personal hygiene practices such as dirty boots, inappropriate storage of personal clothing and equipment storage and evidence of food consumption. Immediate corrective action was implemented by QAM and an internal CAR issued.



0006, Chemicals,

In general storage and handling of hazardous substances in the processing areas was acceptable except on bottle of chemical was not lidded in BR supervisor's office.

0007, Pest control,

No other issues were identified other than a CAR.MNC-2103-0060 issued due to maggots around rendering truck before and during production.

0008, Water,

Overall performance was acceptable.,

0009, Refrigeration,

No issues identified during this audit period.,

0010, Approved suppliers,

Overall compliance demonstrated during this audit period.

0011, Structure and equipment,

Structure and equipment in the BR were in good order, findings during the audit period were:

Some issues are continuing without closing date.

Main fans dispatch and old rusty fan plate not cleaned: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20.

Dripping condensation adjacent to new ceiling drain at junction of 2nd and 3rd ceiling join: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20.

Light entering at base of exterior door from dispatch due to damaged rubber seal

Exterior door rear of plate room large gap at bottom left corner.

No air curtain at second loading dock.

There is no light in some areas of the quarter chiller also found the AA does not have light intensity requirements specified for different areas.

0012, Product Supply Chain Integrity,

The elements of product supply chain were generally acceptable.

Some findings are:

Fourteen RFID tags unread out of total beef kill 189 on 16/3/21, management has raised issued with local authority to progress the issue, in the mean time company have installed RFID reader at cattle receipt to identify non conformities.

OPV has identified that operator in SF is not identifying sex of horses correctly as identified by FSMA at PM. This conflicting information compromises NRS sample submission. Management needs to review the current practices in place against the requirements for product integrity and traceability.

During horse traceability it was found some collar numbers recorded incorrectly, refer to WM.

AI resemblance on lines of plastic bags found the measurements to be the same as official marks.

0013, Importing country requirements,

During this period application of importing country requirements was found to be acceptable.



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0014, Animal welfare and handling,

During this audit period the animal welfare procedures implemented by company were found to be acceptable.

The issues raised were:

A seven year old gelding non weight-bearing on RF with leg swelling above due to nail from partially displaced shoe was detected by OPV and immediately sent as EK.

Several horses from s. 47F(1) draft (Lot 4 on kill) displaying deep wounds to front fetlocks for unknown reasons presented for kill on 23/3/21 eg 14yo bay TB mare (collar 6752 with deep wound to LF fetlock joint led up to SF with head collar and captive bolted. Questioned stockman who said that there was a horse chesnut mare: collar 6765) unloaded from s. 47F(1) draft yesterday (22/3/21) with a deep wound over the left hind leg above the hock which was swollen and discharging. He said that he looked through the truck and could not find the cause. INCIDENT REPORT PENDING with further investigation warranted due to repetitive nature of this finding from this vendor (SGM).

0015, Inspection,

Traditional inspection performed at this establishment and facilities found acceptable.

Auditors, Observers and Audit Participants:

Position	Name
Lead Auditor	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
Auditor	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
Actg ATM (Trainee)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Department of Agriculture Lead Auditor: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Designation: s. 22(1)(a)(ii) r Signature: Date: 25/3/2021

Department of Agriculture Auditor: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Designation: s. 22(1)(a)(ii) Signature: Date: 25/3/2021

Company Representative: s. 47F(1)

I acknowledge receipt of this report and understand the CARs. I agree to provide rectification by the dates specified in the CAR reports.

Designation: Admin M'ment & Meat Auth Sig Signature: Date: 25/3/2021



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AUDIT REPORT

Est/Name: MERAMIST PTY LTD

Est No: 3416

Audit Type: Periodic Audit (Multi)

Report Status: FINAL AUDIT REPORT

Audit Period From: 24/03/2021

To: 20/04/2021

Audit Criteria:

Export Control Act

Export Control (Meat and Meat Products) Rules.

Australian Standard for the Hygienic Production of Meat and Meat Products for Human Consumption AS4696

Importing Country Requirements

Audit Scope:

Audit Scope - Department of Agriculture Notices

Audit Scope - Importing country requirements

Audit Scope - Quality System Support

Audit Scope - HACCP / Non conforming product

Audit Scope - Good Hygienic Practice

Audit Scope - Sanitation

Audit Scope - Personnel hygiene

Audit Scope - Chemicals

Audit Scope - Pest control

Audit Scope - Water

Audit Scope - Approved suppliers

Audit Scope - Structure and equipment

Audit Scope - Product Supply Chain Integrity

Audit Scope - Animal welfare and handling

Audit Scope - Inspection

Audit Scope - Refrigeration

Overall Audit Outcome: Marginal

Est Rating:

Est SCA Score: 0

Audit Conclusion:

The outcome of the monthly audit conducted on 20th April 2021 for this establishment is Marginal. There are five CARs issued under QSS, HACCP GHP, and Sanitation

Audit scope and records examined included all elements of the Approved Arrangement: Quality Systems Support, HACCP, Good Hygiene Practice, Sanitation, Personal Hygiene, Approved Supplier Program, Refrigeration, Structure and Equipment, Product Supply Chain Integrity, Pest Control and Importing Country requirements



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For all CARs issued, company needs to investigate root causes for each identified deficiency in the respective CAR and implement appropriate Corrective and preventive action to prevent the issues from recurring again. Few audit findings were made in the report for which company needs to provide responses to the OPV after implementing appropriate corrective action. All responses must be provided to OPV, well in advance of the next audit, to verify and close identified issues.

Audit Time Charged –

20/04 – 8.15 to 14.15

21/04 – 10-14.30 (includes report preparation time and exit meeting less one hour travel time).

New CARs:

M01–Quality System Support , MNC-2104-0075, 27/04/2021, 21/05/2021

M02–HACCP / Non conforming product controls, MNC-2104-0076, 27/04/2021, 21/05/2021

M02–HACCP / Non conforming product controls, MNC-2104-0077, 27/04/2021, 21/05/2021

M03–Good Hygienic Practice , MNC-2104-0078, 27/04/2021, 21/05/2021

M04–Sanitation , MNC-2104-0079, 27/04/2021, 21/05/2021

Overdue CARs:

MCAT-029–Pest control, MNC-2103-0060, 19/03/2021, 12/04/2021

CARs Not Closed But Not Yet Due:

M01–Quality System Support , MNC-2104-0075, 27/04/2021, 21/05/2021

M02–HACCP / Non conforming product controls, MNC-2104-0076, 27/04/2021, 21/05/2021

M02–HACCP / Non conforming product controls, MNC-2104-0077, 27/04/2021, 21/05/2021

M03–Good Hygienic Practice , MNC-2104-0078, 27/04/2021, 21/05/2021

M04–Sanitation , MNC-2104-0079, 27/04/2021, 21/05/2021

Audit Observations and Comments:

0001, Quality System Support,

One CAR issued for ineffective or lack of sustainable corrective action.

ESAM window was not maintained to identify any ESAM breaches to apply corrective action.

0002, HACCP / Non conforming product,

Two CARs issued – One for lack of follow up corrective action for ZT findings and the other CAR for non conforming product exiting slaughter floor.

Annual HACCP re-assessment was not completed and CCP audit tables were not describing in each CCP audit table, details of monitoring and corrective action implemented for meeting critical limits.



0003, Good Hygienic Practice,

One CAR issued for identified deficiencies in the slaughter floor resulting in product contamination during dressing of carcasses.

0004, Sanitation,

One CAR issued for lack of carcase chiller overhead cleaning resulting in significant contamination risks for carcasses.

0005, Personal hygiene,

The operatives in the hind and fore quarter trims and in the evisceration/neck wound trim were not washing hands after contamination.

0006, Chemicals,

The rodenticide blocks were not stored in a lockable chemical cage in the chemical store.

0007, Pest control,

Some indicator baits were not monitored on production days – e.g. Offal carton store, Bulk cartons store.

The indicator bait station map was not available at audit.

0008, Water,

Water testing results were sighted and was acceptable but was not verified by QA as part of the corrective action implemented for previous breaches.

0009, Refrigeration,

Carcase chilling was acceptable and the product was meeting refrigeration index criteria.

0010, Approved suppliers,

No non-compliances identified during the audit.

0011, Structure and equipment,

The drains from production floor were opening to outside due to lack of lids or broken pipe not fixed.

The bird netting for roof cavity was damaged by maintenance for entry but was not repaired.

0012, Product Supply Chain Integrity,

No non compliances identified at the audit.



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0013, Importing country requirements,

No non compliances identified at the audit.

0014, Animal welfare and handling,

The electric prodder was not checked daily by maintenance for its effectiveness to deliver required current and its functionality. The records were not completed by the maintenance.

0015, Inspection,

No non compliances observed with the PM procedures carried out by FSMA.

Auditors, Observers and Audit Participants:

Position	Name
Lead Auditor	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
Auditor	s. 22(1)(a)(ii) s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
Audit Observer	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Department of Agriculture Lead Auditor: s. 22(1)(a)(ii) s. 47F(1)

Designation: Area Technical Manager

Signature:

Date:

22/04/21

Department of Agriculture Auditor: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Designation: On-Plant Vet

Signature: s. 47F(1)

Date:

22/4/21

Company Representative: s. 47F(1)

I acknowledge receipt of this report and understand the CARs. I agree to provide rectification by the dates specified in the CAR reports.

Designation: Oper M'ment & Meat Auth Sig

Signature:

s. 47F(1) e: 22/4/21



Department of Agriculture Meat Program WEEKLY MANAGEMENT MEETING

Week Ending: 28/02/2021

Meeting Date: 25/02/2021

Time: 13:00

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Last Meeting Date: 18/02/2021

Est No: 3416

Attendance: s. 47F(1) s. 22(1)(a)(ii) s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Current CARs: One; New CARs: One; NCIs – Nil.

AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: NEW CAR's	Created Date	Long Term Due Date	Long Term Completion Date
	NIL			
AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: CURRENT CAR's	Created Date	Long Term Due Date	Long Term Completion Date
	NIL			
AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: NEW NCI's			
NCLMNC-2102-0064 zt BR	During the DAWE MHA carcass exam in the boning room on 12/2/21, a large piece of faeces was found on the pelvic rim of two different carcass quarters. Company CAP response received 25/2/21. Further DAWE verification through MHA checks required.	16/02/21	18/03/2021	

Department of Agriculture Official Communication	Discussion/Corrective Actions/ comments
Department of Agriculture Management Issues	<u>New Issues</u>
Animal handling CTC – Monthly (25/2/21)	Findings: 1. OPV sink at suspect station full of rubbish. 2. Pens 2A-2C and 3 need cleaning. 3. Pens 5 and 6 require digging out and filling in near trough.
Slaughter floor process CTC – Monthly: BEEF (25/2/21)	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)



	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
Importing Country Requirments	<p>Performed reconciliation of horse kill sheet against HVD's for kill 23/2/21 with the following anomalies found:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lot 6 - vendor s. 22(1)(a)(ii) Body # 59 declared a female on HVD # 61093 but a male on company kill sheet. 2. Lot 6 - vendor s. 22(1)(a)(ii) Body # 61 declared a female on HVD #60193 and on company kill sheet but a gelding by FSMA on SF who was collecting an NRS sample. 3. Lot 6 - vendor s. 47F(1): Body # 66 declared a female on HVD # 61093 but a male on company kill sheet. 4. Lot 4 – vendor s. 22(1)(a)(ii) A brown gelding collar # 2769 not on kill sheet (collar 4769 on kill sheet but listed as a female). 5. Lot 4 – vendor s. 22(1)(a)(ii) A chesnut mare collar # 4722 not listed on kill sheet (collar 4702 on kill sheet). 6. Lot 9 – vendor s. 22(1)(a)(ii) Body # 99 (collar #2788) declared a bay gelding on HVD# 61697 but listed as female on kill sheet.
Structure and Equipment	Drain below sink in OPV's toilet leaking on to floor.
	<u>Carryover Issues</u>
Carcase chiller process CTC – Monthly (18/2/21)	<p><u>Findings:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Light CH3 still not working with QA having recorded this finding earlier on form 11/010 (see previous CTC 21/1/21). 2. Inside of doors in chillers 2 and 3 dirty. 3. Water under first fan in CH 1 being blown towards adjacent carcasses. Company response?
AD hoc findings BR 17/2/21	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Multiple pieces of dropped meat and bagged dropped primals piled on top of each other on dropped meat table 2. Cartons stacked on top of exposed meat in other cartons on rollers at bulk packing area. Company response?
Non-Critical production and Ancillary area CTC – Monthly – 11/02/21)	<p><u>Findings:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Leak in condemn bin rear of SF with blood running on to concrete: pest risk. Maintenance request 1110 sent to MM. Progress? 2. Drain to dry goods store blocked with mud/slush being transferred in to room by fork lift. Dispatch Supervisor notified. Issue remains as of 18/2/21. 3. Lack of fly baits SF rendering area. Stockman asked to add more as only one fly bait observed beside screw 11/2/21 as there used to be 5 in total: One at top of screw, one halfway down, one at bottom of screw, one over blood pit and one under blood storage tank: Fly Bait Register (form 4/015) to be updated so weekly checks can be recorded on form by stockman. OPV verified register to have been updated with stockman having changed baits 23/2/21 with 3 new bait containers in stockman's hut 25/2/21: ISSUE CLOSED.
Load out chiller/freezer stores process and product CTC – Monthly (2/2/21).	<p><u>Findings:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A lot of snow build up just inside freezer and on palletted product: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20. Weekly cleaning had been done by dispatch staff with No snow observed in this area during ATM audit 23/2/21: ISSUE CLOSED. 2. Old rusty fan plate room: repair or remove? : repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20. <p>Company response – maintenance to remove rust by painting fan.</p>



Environmental hygiene CTC – Monthly (3/2/21)	Findings: <u>1. Surrounds:</u> a. Potholes on road near front entrance have re-immersed after heavy rain: large cracked & broken concrete areas on roads near load-out. REPAIR REQUIRED AFTER RECENT RAIN. Repeat issue observed from CTC 7/12/20.
QSS	1. Salmonella window down to 48 after two negative horse carcass results 14/2/21 (Symbio cert# B996349). 2. E coli window for horse carcass swabs to restart at 15 due to positive result received 14/2/21 (Symbio cert # B996349).
BR Process CTC – Monthly – (13/01/21)	Scale operator handling cartons and meat without washing hands. Work instructions to be signed as of 18/2/21. OPV verified work instruction W1 12/021 read and signed by operator: ISSUE CLOSED.
Non-critical production and Ancillary area CTC – Monthly – (17/12/20)	Findings: 1. Operator resting blood bag on floor during filling due to suction pump not working. OPV to verify signed WI as of 18/2/21. 2. Dust on top of carton making machine. OPV to verify signed WI as of 18/2/21. OPV verified work instruction W1 12/021 read and signed by operator: ISSUE CLOSED.
Importing Country Requirements	During horse kill on 15/12/20, EU card for Lot 3 changed to Lot 5 by unknown operative without OPV knowledge which did not correspond to information on initial kill sheet. Company response? Company response – No one knows who did this? But everyone is aware of the severity of this issue. TBT completed, to be signed and verified by OPV.
Slaughter floor process CTC – Monthly (1/12/20)	CTC Findings (1/12/20): Operator at brisket saw – didn't attempt to move eviscerated paunch out of the way of brisket saw consequently sawing into gut & contents pouring out all over brisket, legs, neck Brisket saw operators reminded of issue and re-signed WI and made aware of CA when contamination occurs on the body. Work instruction to be signed.
Carcase chiller process CTC – Monthly (9/11/20)	Non-Halal carcass (BN20) not adequately separated from Halal carcasses in Ch3. QA to monitor and ensure clear segregation and record any findings on Form 11/010. OPV verified Form 11/010 updated to include twice daily segregation check: ISSUE CLOSED.
	ATM February 2021 Audit Observations and Comments:
QSS	The company investigation report that identify the root cause, and the corrective and preventive actions undertaken for water testing failures during Dec 20-Jan21 was not available at today's audit for auditor to review. This needs to be provided to OPV and ATM for review (CA).
GHP	Carcasses examined at MHA and tails examined in offal room had some hide dirt and specks, most of which were identified by the auditor for trimming (CA).



Sanitation	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The operative at hock cutting station was not rinsing hands and knife. Knife was placed into steriliser with blood buildup on handle and the operator was touching soap dispenser allowing blood to accumulate on the dispenser (CA).2. The split saw operator was observed not to be washing hands effectively between carcasses and blood was allowed to accumulate on apron as well (CA).3. Blood was not washed from knocking box floor and structures before the smoko break (CA).4. Excessive blood pooling was observed on the floor in the sticking/rodding area and this was not cleaned during smoko (CA).5. Second loading dock in dispatch remains without air curtains. Company and OPV to conduct risk assessment and provide report to ATM (CA).6. Waste fluid from blocked drainage pipe was puddling and accumulating over concrete pathways and surrounds of the carton stores. Cross contamination risk to forklift carrying cartons from carton stores (CA).
Personal Hygiene	There were dirty knives and aprons stored in a personal gear storage rack in the white offal room during smoko break (CA).
Chemicals	Soap bottle without lid and labelling was stored in the hide on ante-room and the bottle was left to remain when auditor re-visited the same area later on the day (CA).
Pest Control	The toxic rodent bait map is not clear and this needs to be reviewed. The baits have to be identified individually and the adequacy of the toxic bait stations to prevent any rodent ingress need to be assessed (CA).
Refrigeration	Some snow buildup noted on the plates of plate freezer.
Structure and Equipment	<p>The MHA lighting at the bottom section of the carcass was inadequate due to shadowing (CA).</p> <p>Light CH3 still not working (see previous CTC 21/1/21).</p> <p>Findings freezer stores CTC 2/2/21:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Main fans dispatch not cleaned: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20.2. Dripping condensation adjacent to new ceiling drain at junction of 2nd and 3rd ceiling join: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20.3. Light entering at base of exterior door from dispatch due to damaged rubber seal4. Exterior door rear of plate room large gap at bottom left corner.5. No air curtain second loading dock: Installation date? Repeat issue from 2020.



PSCI	Chiller 3 door at the back of the chiller was not lockable potentially compromising horse carcass security.
	ATM October 2020 Audit Observations and Comments:
Structure and equipment	The liner storage room adjacent to the main carton room in the Boning room had man-hole with a permanently fixed ladder leaving a permanent roof access (C.A). Temporary solution has been completed with long term solution to be added to maintenance list. OPV verified ladder repositioned to allow man hole cover but which has gaps on either side allowing possible pest entry (18/2/21).
Monthly Verification samples:-	STEC verification sample for Feb 21 collected 19/2/21 with negative result received from Symbio lab on 23/2/21 (Cert # B999884). Monthly Non-EU HGP free sample (Liver) for Feb 21 dispatched to NMI 8/2/21 with negative result received 24/2/21.
Product Hygiene Index/Post Mortem Verification	No zero tolerance defects found by OPV or company so far this week. Annual water results received 24/2/21 with negative results for microbes.
Management Matters / Requests	Company have repeated their request to have several updated SOP's approved by ATM who has not the time at present to look at them.

Meat Notice/ MAA	Discussed with Company management	Amendment to SOP/AA – and date submitted to OPV	Submission to ATM for review and approval	Date of ATM approval
EUCAS cattle – NRS sample re-allocation	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)			
Other				
	s. 47F(1) here on light duties next week with him to train new FSMA's. s. 22(1)(a)(ii) here 1 st , 3 rd and 5 th of March for kills.			

OPS Signature:

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Date: 25/2/2021

Management Representative Signature:

s. 47F(1)

Date: 25/2/2021



Soap bottle without lid and labelling was stored in the hide on ante-room and the bottle was left to remain when auditor re-visited the same area later on the day (CA).



Department of Agriculture Meat Program WEEKLY MANAGEMENT MEETING

Week Ending: 14/03/2021

Meeting Date: 15/03/2021

Time: 12:00

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Last Meeting Date: 5/03/2021

Est No: 3416

Attendance: s. 47F(1) s. 47F(1) s. 22(1)(a)(ii)).

Current CARs: One; New CARs: One; NCIs – Nil.

AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: NEW CAR's	Created Date	Long Term Due Date	Long Term Completion Date
CAR.MNC-2103-0060 pest control	1. There was an abundance of live maggots around the rendering truck, screw and concrete apron adjacent to the SF before and during production on 15/3/21. 2. During a previous similar event on 25/1/21, corrective and preventative actions were implemented with SOP6 updated to reflect new procedures. These actions were not effective.	15/03/21	12/04/2021	
AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: CURRENT CAR's	Created Date	Long Term Due Date	Long Term Completion Date
CAR.MNC-2103-0028 PSCI	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)	5/03/2021	09/04/2021	23/03/2021
AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: NEW NCI's			
NCL.MNC-2102-0064 zt BR	During the DAWE MHA carcass exam in the boning room on 12/2/21, a large piece of faeces was found on the pelvic rim of two different carcass quarters. Company CAP response received 25/2/21. Subsequent DAWE verification through MHA checks has revealed no zero tolerance defects either on SF or in BR. NCI ready for closure.	16/02/21	18/03/2021	23/03/2021

Department of Agriculture Official Communication	Discussion/Corrective Actions/ comments
Department of Agriculture Management Issues	<u>New Issues</u>
Slaughter floor process CTC – Monthly: HORSE (9/3/21)	FINDINGS: 1. Low trim exposed street clothes. Repeat issue from CTC 25/2/21. 2. Head removal operator: No sterilising knife after steeling. No soap use after removing hide from head.



	<p>3. Splitting saw operator: No soap use after removing visible contamination from side.</p> <p>4. OPV could not verify label reconciliation.</p>
<p>Slaughter floor process CTC – Monthly: BEEF (11/3/21)</p>	<p>s. 22(1)(a)(ii)</p>
<p>Animal handling CTC – Monthly (11/3/21)</p>	<p>Findings:</p> <p>1. OPV sink at suspect station not clean: Repeat issue from 25/2/21.</p> <p>2. Pens 5 and 6 require digging out and filling in near trough. Repeat issue from 25/2/21. OPV verified on 15/3/21 that pens were cleaned satisfactorily over weekend.</p>
	<p><u>Carryover Issues</u></p>
<p>Carcase chiller process CTC – Monthly (1/3/21)</p>	<p>Findings:</p> <p>1. Inside of doors in chiller 3 dirty with carcasses being loaded. Repeat finding from last CTC 18/2/21.</p> <p>2. Mould on door seals chiller 3.</p> <p>3. First fan in chiller 3 not working despite carcasses present in chiller.</p> <p>4. No recent chiller cleaning records completed by QA.</p> <p>QA is completing form 2a/007.</p>
<p>SF Pre-Op (5/3/21)</p>	<p>Hock cutters filthy on handle, around screw fittings and end of black hose.</p> <p>Fly in gut room.</p> <p>Cockroach in foetal blood room on metal cover over screw which was dirty.</p> <p>Chiller 1 back wall under fans dirty.</p> <p>QA to monitor and will record findings on form 2a/001. QA to monitor and will record findings on form 2a/001</p>
<p>PSCI</p>	<p>For slaughter date 1/3/21, number on kill sheet given to OPV did not match final number killed (188 vs 190) due to two animals from Emerald sale jumping into adjacent paddock of animals from Gracemere sale here at Est3416 before the kill which meant Lot 4 increased from 69 cattle on kill sheet to 71. OPV awaiting RFID numbers from those two animals which can only be found after the remaining Emerald cattle were killed on 3/3/21 (62 originally in number to 60).</p> <p>Company GM provided missing RFID tag numbers from both Emerald sale cattle and for one animal from Lot 1 (vendor: s. 47F(1)) from kill on 1/3/21: ISSUE CLOSED.</p>



Animal handling CTC – Monthly (25/2/21)	<p>Findings:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. OPV sink at suspect station full of rubbish. Issue remains as of 9/3/21.2. Pens 5 and 6 require digging out and filling in near trough. OPV verified on 15/3/21 that work had been completed over weekend: ISSUE CLOSED.
Slaughter floor process CTC – Monthly: BEEF (25/2/21)	<h1>s. 22(1)(a)(ii)</h1>
Importing Country Requirments	<p>Performed reconciliation of horse kill sheet against HVD's for kill 23/2/21 with the following anomalies found:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Lot 6 - vendor s. 47F(1): Body # 59 declared a female on HVD # 61093 but a male on company kill sheet.2. Lot 6 - vendor s. 47F(1): Body # 61 declared a female on HVD #60193 and on company kill sheet but a gelding by FSMA on SF who was collecting an NRS sample.3. Lot 6 - vendor s. 47F(1): Body # 66 declared a female on HVD # 61093 but a male on company kill sheet.4. Lot 4 – vendor s. 47F(1) A brown gelding collar # 2769 not on kill sheet (collar 4769 on kill sheet but listed as a female).5. Lot 4 – vendor s. 47F(1) A chesnut mare collar # 4722 not listed on kill sheet (collar 4702 on kill sheet).6. Lot 9 – vendor s. 47F(1) Body # 99 (collar #2788) declared a bay gelding on HVD# 61697 but listed as female on kill sheet. <p>Performed subsequent reconciliation of horse kill sheet SD: 9/3/21 with the following anomalies found:</p> <p>Lot 2 – vendor s. 47F(1) BN13 (collar 4719) listed on horse lot summary as a female but was a gelding when verified by FSMA on kill floor.</p> <p>Lot 3 – vendor s. 47F(1) BN30 (collar 7422) listed on horse lot summary as a female but was a gelding when verified by FSMA on kill floor.</p> <p>Lot 6: vendor s. 47F(1) BN81 (collar 5202) listed on horse lot summary as a male but was a female when verified by FSMA on kill floor.</p> <p>Lot 6: vendor s. 47F(1) BN83 (collar 5202) listed on horse lot summary as a female but was a male when verified by FSMA on kill floor.</p> <p>This compromises traceability, a non-conformance from the last EU audit. ATM was consulted and he stated that any further non-conformances in the future will result in a CAR being issued.</p>
Carcase chiller process CTC – Monthly (18/2/21)	<p>Findings:</p> <p>Inside of doors in chillers 2 and 3 dirty. See CTC 1/3/21: repeat issue. QA is completing form 2a/007. See response above.</p>
Non-Critical production and Ancillary area CTC – Monthly – 11/02/21)	<p>Findings:</p> <p>Drain to dry goods store blocked with mud/slush being transferred in to room by fork lift. Dispatch Supervisor notified. Issue remains as of 18/2/21. Maintenance manager said at last meeting 25/2/21 that drain cannot be cleared so may have to fill drain with concrete: Work in progress.</p>



Load out chiller/freezer stores process and product CTC – Monthly (2/2/21).	<p>Findings:</p> <p>Old rusty fan plate room: repair or remove? : repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20.</p> <p>Company response – maintenance to remove rust by painting fan.</p>
Environmental hygiene CTC – Monthly (3/2/21)	<p>Findings:</p> <p>1. Surrounds:</p> <p>a. Potholes on road near front entrance have re-immersed after heavy rain: large cracked & broken concrete areas on roads near load-out. REPAIR REQUIRED AFTER RECENT RAIN. Repeat issue observed from CTC 7/12/20: Work in progress.</p>
QSS	<p>1. Salmonella window down to 48 after two negative horse carcass results 14/2/21 (Symbio cert# B996349).</p> <p>2. E coli window for horse carcass swabs to restart at 15 due to positive result received 14/2/21 (Symbio cert # B996349).</p>
	ATM February 2021 Audit Observations and Comments:
GHP	<p>Carcasses examined at MHA and tails examined in offal room had some hide dirt and specks, most of which were identified by the auditor for trimming (CA). Supervisor to get WI signed by all CCP operators.</p>
Sanitation	<p>1. The operative at hock cutting station was not rinsing hands and knife. Knife was placed into steriliser with blood buildup on handle and the operator was touching soap dispenser allowing blood to accumulate on the dispenser (CA). Operator received written warning and resigned WI.</p> <p>2. The split saw operator was observed not to be washing hands effectively between carcasses and blood was allowed to accumulate on apron as well (CA). Operator to resign WI 11-014. OPV verified WI 11-014 signed with issue not observed during most recent CTC 11/3/21: ISSUE CLOSED.</p> <p>3. Blood was not washed from knocking box floor and structures before the smoko break (CA). Operator s. 47F(1) to resign WI 11-002 Stunning. OPV verified signing of WI 11/002 by above operators with issue not flagged on SF Process Monitoring form 11/001: ISUE CLOSED.</p> <p>4. Excessive blood pooling was observed on the floor in the sticking/rodding area and this was not cleaned during smoko (CA). Operator to resign WI 11-022. OPV verified WI 11-022 signed with issue not observed during most recent CTC 11/3/21: ISSUE CLOSED.</p> <p>5. Second loading dock in dispatch remains without air curtains. Company and OPV to conduct risk assessment and provide report to ATM (CA).</p> <p>6. Waste fluid from blocked drainage pipe was puddling and accumulating over concrete pathways and surrounds of the carton stores. Cross contamination risk to forklift carrying cartons from carton stores (CA). Maintenance aware of issue and due to weather conditions cannot be done sooner.</p>



Personal Hygiene	There were dirty knives and aprons stored in a personal gear storage rack in the white offal room during smoko break (CA). Operators spoken to and WI resigned.
Chemicals	Soap bottle without lid and labelling was stored in the hide on ante-room and the bottle was left to remain when auditor re-visited the same area later on the day (CA). Form 11/001 has been updated to include monitoring of Chemical stored correctly. Form 11/001 verified by OPV as having been updated: ISSUE CLOSED.
Pest Control	The toxic rodent bait map is not clear and this needs to be reviewed. The baits have to be identified individually and the adequacy of the toxic bait stations to prevent any rodent ingress need to be assessed (CA). Work in progress.
Refrigeration	Some snow build up noted on the plates of plate freezer. In progress with Maintenance.
Structure and Equipment	The MHA lighting at the bottom section of the carcass was inadequate due to shadowing (CA). Light CH3 still not working (see previous CTC 21/1/21). Findings freezer stores CTC 2/2/21: 1. Main fans dispatch not cleaned: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20. 2. Dripping condensation adjacent to new ceiling drain at junction of 2nd and 3rd ceiling join: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20. 3. Light entering at base of exterior door from dispatch due to damaged rubber seal 4. Exterior door rear of plate room large gap at bottom left corner. 5. No air curtain second loading dock: Installation date? Repeat issue from 2020. Work in progress as of 9/3/21.
Monthly Verification samples:-	STEC verification sample for March 21 yet to be collected. Monthly Non-EU HGP free sample (Liver) for Mar 21 yet to be collected.
Product Hygiene Index/Post Mortem Verification	No zero tolerance defects found by OPV or company so far this week.
Management Matters / Requests	Company have repeated their request to have several updated SOP's approved by ATM who has not the time at present to look at them.

Meat Notice/ MAA	Discussed with Company management	Amendment to SOP/AA – and date submitted to OPV	Submission to ATM for review and approval	Date of ATM approval
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EUCAS cattle – NRS sample re-allocation	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)			
Other	FSMA s. 22(1)(a)(ii) here this week. s. 22(1)(a)(ii) to cover for s. 22(1)(a)(ii) this week including 16/3/21.			

OPS Signature:

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Date: 9/3/2021

Management Representative Signature:

s. 47F(1)

Date: 9/3/2021





Department of Agriculture Meat Program WEEKLY MANAGEMENT MEETING

Week Ending: 04/04/2021

Meeting Date: 31/03/2021

Time: 12:00

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Last Meeting Date: 11/03/2021

Est No: 3416

Attendance: s. 47F(1) s. 47F(1) ; s. 22(1)(a)(ii) .

Current CARs: One; New CARs: One: NCIs – Nil.

AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: NEW CAR's	Created Date	Long Term Due Date	Long Term Completion Date
CAR.MNC-2103-0131	Meat & Meat products were not hygienically processed after contacting floor. WI for dropped meat procedures were not followed by operator & QA failed to apply CA.	25/03/21	23/04/21	
AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: CURRENT CAR's	Created Date	Long Term Due Date	Long Term Completion Date
CAR.MNC-2103-0060 pest control	1. There was an abundance of live maggots around the rendering truck, screw and concrete apron adjacent to the SF before and during production on 15/3/21. 2. During a previous similar event on 25/1/21, corrective and preventative actions were implemented with SOP6 updated to reflect new procedures. These actions were not effective. 31/03 – company response received.	15/03/21	12/04/2021	
AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: NEW NCI's			
NCLMNC-2103-0142	The findings of the monthly Department Non-critical production area process monitoring verification were unacceptable with failure to implement adequate operation hygiene, good hygienic practice and pest control procedures during export production. Findings: 1. A lot of flies in hide on ante-room. 2. Soap dispenser ante-room rear of SF broken. 3. No towel dispenser ante-room rear of SF. 4. Condemn bin rear of SF still leaking. Repeat issue from last CTC. 5. Three uteruses sitting in foetal blood room for some time (dry in appearance). 6. A lot of offal on floor of petfood room with excessive build up of product on table and mincer overflowing. 7. Reason for points 5 and 6 is that same operator is in charge of foetal blood and petfood. 8. Leak condemn bin attached to petfood room. 9. Exposed carton material in secondary carton room with shrink wrap damaged.	29/03/21	12/05/21	



NCLMNC-2103-0153	During the Department's MHA verification in the Boning room on 30/03/21 a ZT was found on the hock.	30/03/21	09/04/21	
AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: CURRENT NCI's			

Department of Agriculture Official Communication	Discussion/Corrective Actions/ comments
Department of Agriculture Management Issues	<u>New Issues</u>
Environmental Hygiene & Amenities CTC (29/03/21)	<p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BR lunch room – some lights not working & covers missing BR female lockers – Locker #13 Anna – knives on bottom of locker (repeat) BR female bathroom – multiple lights not working. BR Male Lockers – White apron stored on hook & dirty (not meant to be stored in locker room), dirty ear-muffs & helmet on hook aswell. s. 47F(1) – steel on lower shelf & mixed with personal gear. <p>Many boots had excess fat & debris build-up on soles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BR male bathrooms – multiple lights not working & some without covers over bulbs. Laundry – lights without covers Skip bins – 1 without lids being used for general/floor waste – needs to be covered.
Load-out & Chiller/Freezer Stores CTC (31/03/21)	<p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Load-out area – 1 damaged pallet with cartons on top & no clip sheet under cartons. Also unknown mop with head sitting on ground & very dirty/black (if condensation mop – needs new head & to be stored correctly). Plate freezer – some debris around edges of room (pallet debris & foam pieces). Door into plate freezer room damaged. Chiller store – foot-prints on multiple slipsheets Freezer store- no slipsheet between pallets. Snow build-up in Bay 1 (to be rectified this afternoon) **Horse & beef cartons mixed on one pallet.
Pre-Op verification (30/03/21)	<p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-op @ 06.20, Water leak in ¼ chiller ceiling between 3rd & 4th rail, operators instructed not to use these rails and QAM shown defect for maintenance report. Do these need to be retained?
Weasand Collection	Awaiting further information from ATM to OPV re- Weasand collection requirements.



	<u>Carryover Issues</u>
SF Pre-Op (5/3/21)	<p>Hock cutters filthy on handle, around screw fittings and end of black hose.</p> <p>Fly in gut room.</p> <p>Cockroach in foetal blood room on metal cover over screw which was dirty.</p> <p>Chiller 1 back wall under fans dirty.</p> <p>QA to monitor and will record findings on form 2a/001. QA to monitor and will record findings on form 2a/001</p>
Importing Country /Requirements	<p>Performed reconciliation of horse kill sheet against HVD's for kill 23/2/21 with the following anomalies found:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lot 6 - vendor s. 47F(1) Body # 59 declared a female on HVD # 61093 but a male on company kill sheet. 2. Lot 6 - vendor s. 47F(1) Body # 61 declared a female on HVD #60193 and on company kill sheet but a gelding by FSMA on SF who was collecting an NRS sample. 3. Lot 6 - vendor s. 47F(1) Body # 66 declared a female on HVD # 61093 but a male on company kill sheet. 4. Lot 4 – vendor s. 47F(1) A brown gelding collar # 2769 not on kill sheet (collar 4769 on kill sheet but listed as a female). 5. Lot 4 – vendor s. 47F(1) A chesnut mare collar # 4722 not listed on kill sheet (collar 4702 on kill sheet). 6. Lot 9 – vendor s. 47F(1) Body # 99 (collar #2788) declared a bay gelding on HVD# 61697 but listed as female on kill sheet. <p>Performed subsequent reconciliation of horse kill sheet SD: 9/3/21 with the following anomalies found:</p> <p>Lot 2 – vendor s. 47F(1) BN13 (collar 4719) listed on horse lot summary as a female but was a gelding when verified by FSMA on kill floor.</p> <p>Lot 3 – vendor s. 47F(1) BN30 (collar 7422) listed on horse lot summary as a female but was a gelding when verified by FSMA on kill floor.</p> <p>Lot 6: vendor s. 47F(1) BN81 (collar 5202) listed on horse lot summary as a male but was a female when verified by FSMA on kill floor.</p> <p>Lot 6: vendor s. 47F(1) BN83 (collar 5202) listed on horse lot summary as a female but was a male when verified by FSMA on kill floor.</p> <p>This compromises traceability, a non-conformance from the last EU audit. ATM was consulted and he stated that any further non-conformances in the future will result in a CAR being issued.</p>
Carcase chiller process CTC – Monthly (18/2/21)	<p><u>Findings:</u></p> <p>Inside of doors in chillers 2 and 3 dirty. See CTC 1/3/21: repeat issue. QA is completing form 2a/007. See response above.</p>
Non-Critical production and Ancillary area CTC – Monthly – 11/02/21)	<p><u>Findings:</u></p> <p>Drain to dry goods store blocked with mud/slush being transferred in to room by fork lift. Dispatch Supervisor notified. Issue remains as of 18/2/21. Maintenance manager said at last meeting 25/2/21 that drain cannot be cleared so may have to fill drain with concrete: Work in progress.</p>
Load out chiller/freezer stores process and product CTC – Monthly (2/2/21).	<p><u>Findings:</u></p> <p>Old rusty fan plate room: repair or remove? : repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20.</p> <p>Company response – maintenance to remove rust by painting fan.</p>



Environmental hygiene CTC – Monthly (3/2/21)	Findings: <u>1. Surrounds:</u> a. Potholes on road near front entrance have re-immersed after heavy rain: large cracked & broken concrete areas on roads near load-out. REPAIR REQUIRED AFTER RECENT RAIN. Repeat issue observed from CTC 7/12/20: Work in progress.
QSS	1. Salmonella window down to 48 after two negative horse carcass results 14/2/21 (Symbio cert# B996349). 2. E coli window for horse carcass swabs to restart at 15 due to positive result received 14/2/21 (Symbio cert # B996349). ?
	ATM March 2021 Audit Observations & Comments:
GHP	Non-compliance of drop meat procedures – CAR issued
Sanitation	1. Cross contamination due to condensation on the ceiling of the BR ante-room, scales and storage areas 2. Dirty aprons in ante-room from previous day 3. Product cross-contamination e.gf carcase robes, plastics 4. Exposed packaging material in contact with boxes exposed to environment 5. Pre-trim operator removing trim pieces by hand and not washing with soap
Personal Hygiene	1. One set of amenities for all production workers including hide-on operators. Potential for cross contamination – Management to demonstrate compliance in this area 2. Some operators hair/beards not properly contained 3. Male amenities – poor personal hygiene practices – dirty boots, inappropriate storage of personal clothing & equipment storage & evidence of food consumption.
Structure and Equipment	1. Main fans dispatch & old rusty fan plate not cleaned (on discussion items above) 2. Dripping condensation adjacent to new ceiling drain at junction of 2 nd and 3 rd ceiling joint. 3. Light entering at base of exterior door from dispatch due to damaged rubber seal 4. Exterior door rear of plate room large gap at bottom left corner 5. No air curtain at second loading dock 6. No light in some areas of quarter chillers. AA also doesn't have light intensity requirements specified for different areas.
Product Supply chain Integrity	1. Fourteen RFID tags unread out of total beef kill 189 on 16/03/21 2. Operator on SF not identifying sex of horses correctly 3. Some horse collar numbers recorded incorrectly
Animal Welfare and Handling	1. Wounds on several horses from s. 47F(1) draft on 23/03/21. Incident report pending?
	ATM February 2021 Audit Observations and Comments:



GHP	Carcasses examined at MHA and tails examined in offal room had some hide dirt and specks, most of which were identified by the auditor for trimming (CA). Supervisor to get WI signed by all CCP operators.
Sanitation	<p>1. The operative at hock cutting station was not rinsing hands and knife. Knife was placed into steriliser with blood buildup on handle and the operator was touching soap dispenser allowing blood to accumulate on the dispenser (CA). Operator received written warning and resigned WI.</p> <p>2. Second loading dock in dispatch remains without air curtains. Company and OPV to conduct risk assessment and provide report to ATM (CA).</p> <p>3. Waste fluid from blocked drainage pipe was puddling and accumulating over concrete pathways and surrounds of the carton stores. Cross contamination risk to forklift carrying cartons from carton stores (CA). Maintenance aware of issue and due to weather conditions cannot be done sooner.</p>
Personal Hygiene	There were dirty knives and aprons stored in a personal gear storage rack in the white offal room during smoko break (CA). Operators spoken to and WI resigned.
Pest Control	The toxic rodent bait map is not clear and this needs to be reviewed. The baits have to be identified individually and the adequacy of the toxic bait stations to prevent any rodent ingress need to be assessed (CA). Work in progress.
Refrigeration	Some snow build up noted on the plates of plate freezer. In progress with Maintenance.
Structure and Equipment	<p>The MHA lighting at the bottom section of the carcass was inadequate due to shadowing (CA).</p> <p>Light CH3 still not working (see previous CTC 21/1/21).</p> <p>Findings freezer stores CTC 2/2/21:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Main fans dispatch not cleaned: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20.2. Dripping condensation adjacent to new ceiling drain at junction of 2nd and 3rd ceiling join: repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20.3. Light entering at base of exterior door from dispatch due to damaged rubber seal4. Exterior door rear of plate room large gap at bottom left corner.5. No air curtain second loading dock: Installation date? Repeat issue from 2020. Work in progress as of 9/3/21.
Monthly Verification samples:-	<p>STEC verification sample for March 21 collected – results NOT DETECTED (Cert # B1012635)</p> <p>Monthly Non-EU HGP free sample (Liver) for Mar 21 collected – results pending</p>
Product Hygiene Index/Post Mortem Verification	ZT found in BR MHA by DA 30/03/21 – NCI issued



Management Matters / Requests	Company have repeated their request to have several updated SOP's approved by ATM who has not the time at present to look at them.
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Meat Notice/ MAA	Discussed with Company management	Amendment to SOP/AA – and date submitted to OPV	Submission to ATM for review and approval	Date of ATM approval
MAA2116 Brazil: health certificate for beef (meat, meat products and edible offal) - UPDATE				
MAA2115 - United Kingdom - New deadline for the revision of export certification to Great Britain				
MAA2114 - China - Update on the use of the product description 'trimmings'				
EUCAS cattle – NRS sample re-allocation	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)			
Other				

OPS Signature:

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Date: 31/3/2021

Management Representative Signature:

s. 47F(1)

Date: 31/3/2021





Department of Agriculture Meat Program WEEKLY MANAGEMENT MEETING

Week Ending: 11/04/2021

Meeting Date: 14 or 16/04/2021

Time: 13:00

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Last Meeting Date: 31/03/2021

Est No: 3416

Attendance: s. 47F(1)

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

Current CARs: One; New CARs: One; NCIs – Nil.

DA After-meeting notes

AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: NEW CAR's	Created Date	Long Term Due Date	Long Term Completion Date
CAR.MNC-2103-0131	Meat & Meat products were not hygienically processed after contacting floor. WI for dropped meat procedures were not followed by operator & QA failed to apply CA. 30/03 – received by company	25/03/21	23/04/21	
AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: CURRENT CAR's	Created Date	Long Term Due Date	Long Term Completion Date
CAR.MNC-2103-0060 pest control	1. There was an abundance of live maggots around the rendering truck, screw and concrete apron adjacent to the SF before and during production on 15/3/21. 2. During a previous similar event on 25/1/21, corrective and preventative actions were implemented with SOP6 updated to reflect new procedures. These actions were not effective. 31/03 – company response received – issue with truck being left under screw for few days after last slaughter day & workers still putting waste into screw. Truck to now be moved on other side of SF after last slaughter day each week. OPV to verify & close-out. Numerous maggots observed on concrete apron and in bins after 2 containing BR waste were emptied 7/4/21. FURTHER MONITORING / PA REQUIRED BEFORE CLOSING CAR.	15/03/21	12/04/2021	
AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: NEW NCI's			
NCI Number: MNC-2104-0034 Activity: HACCP / Non-conforming product controls	Dated: 12/04/2021; Time: 09:46am – Slaughter Floor; 1 X Zero Tolerance defect (Ingesta clusters ~1cmx1.5cm) found on the flank (towards the navel end of brisket) of carcass number 051/1 (Left side). Zero Tolerance defect (Ingesta) shown to Slaughter Floor supervisor and QA officer for immediate and preventative corrective action. NK	12/04/21	20/04/21	
AGENDA ITEM	Discussion/Corrective Actions: CURRENT NCI's			



NCI.MNC-2103-0142	<p>The findings of the monthly Department Non-critical production area process monitoring verification were unacceptable with failure to implement adequate operational hygiene, good hygienic practice and pest control procedures during export production.</p> <p>Findings:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A lot of flies in hide on ante-room. No flies observed during CTC 8/4/21. 2. Soap dispenser ante-room rear of SF broken. Verified dispenser operational during CTC 8/4/21. 3. No towel dispenser ante-room rear of SF. Verified dispenser installed during CTC 8/4/21. 4. Condemn bin rear of SF still leaking. Repeat issue from last CTC. Verified vessel not leaking CTC 8/4/21. 5. Three uteruses sitting in foetal blood room for some time (dry in appearance). Operational hygiene and practice acceptable in this room during CTC 8/4/21. 6. A lot of offal on floor of petfood room with excessive build up of product on table and mincer overflowing. Repeat finding CTC 8/4/21 but confined to floor under receival table. 7. Reason for points 5 and 6 is that same operator is in charge of foetal blood and petfood. OPV verified two separate operators present during CTC 8/4/21. 8. Leak condemn bin attached to petfood room. Hole in L rear corner of bin remains as observed CTC 8/4/21. 9. Exposed carton material in secondary carton room with shrink wrap damaged. Issue not observed during CTC 8/4/21. 	29/03/21	12/05/21	
NCI.MNC-2103-0153	<p>During the Department's MHA verification in the Boning room on 30/03/21 a ZT was found on the hock. 31/03 – NCI signed by company.</p>	30/03/21	09/04/21	

Department of Agriculture Official Communication	Discussion/Corrective Actions/ comments
Department of Agriculture Management Issues	<u>New Issues</u>
Adhoc Findings Dated 12.04.21	<p>Offal Room: some deficient carton handling procedures followed in offal carton</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) HC offal products - carton of exposed (tendons) and weasand carton in the tripe (mountain chain) packing room. <small>s. 47F(1)</small> b) Exposed tendon carton – inside surface of blue liner contacting the back wall and placed on chute (not stable base) during production. Carton moved away from the wall. <small>s. 47F(1)</small>



Boning room process CTC – (6/4/21)	<p><u>Findings:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1: Ceiling light adjacent to second cryovac machine not working with dirty cover. 2: Condensation over product above red belt second ceiling join. 3. In carton room, operator placing bottom oif unlined carton over liners. 4. Drain from scribe saw steriliser exposed and leaking on to floor.
Non-Critical production and Ancillary area CTC (8/04/21)	<p><u>Findings:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pieces of offal on floor of pet food room. Repeat finding from CTC 29/3/21. 2. Made up cartons touching wall main carton room. 3. Dust on top of carton making machine main carton room. 4. Pallets of unmade cartons touching wall lower dry goods store. 5. Exterior drain to lower dry goods store blocked with mud/slush being transferred in to room by fork lift. Repeat finding from CTC 11/2/21.
Ad Hoc Issues	<p>External door quartering corridor to hook room open to the elements 9/4/21 am: pest risk.</p> <p>Drain under sink in OPV's toilet leaking again.</p>
	<u>Carryover Issues</u>
Environmental Hygiene & Amenities CTC (29/03/21)	<p><u>Findings:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BR lunch room – some lights not working & covers missing • BR female lockers – s. 47F(1) – knives on bottom of locker (repeat) • BR female bathroom – multiple lights not working. • BR Male Lockers – White apron stored on hook & dirty (not meant to be stored in locker room), dirty ear-muffs & helmet on hook as well. • s. 47F(1) – steel on lower shelf & mixed with personal gear. • Many boots had excess fat & debris build-up on soles. • BR male bathrooms – multiple lights not working & some without covers over bulbs. • Laundry – lights without covers • Skip bins – 1 without lids being used for general/floor waste – needs to be covered – Company advised bin has been removed but as of 31/03 14:30pm – bin is still there, and a second bin now also doesn't have lids • s. 47F(1) is focusing on locker/locker hygiene. Company has approved invoice for new lights/fittings today & these are to arrive & be fitted
Load-out & Chiller/Freezer Stores CTC (31/03/21)	<p><u>Findings:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Load-out area – 1 damaged pallet with cartons on top & no clip sheet under cartons. Also unknown mop with head sitting on ground & very dirty/black (if condensation mop – needs new head & to be stored correctly).



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plate freezer – some debris around edges of room (pallet debris & foam pieces). Door into plate freezer room damaged. • Chiller store – foot-prints on multiple slip sheets • Freezer store- no slip sheet between pallets. Snow build-up in Bay 1 (to be rectified this afternoon) **Horse & beef cartons mixed on one pallet. Rectified immediately by company
Pre-Op verification (30/03/21)	<p>Findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-op @ 06.20, Water leak in ¼ chiller ceiling between 3rd & 4th rail, operators instructed not to use these rails and QAM shown defect for maintenance report. Do these need to be retained? Company aware & rails not being used
Weasand Collection	<p>Awaiting further information from ATM to OPV re- Weasand collection requirements. 31/03 – currently collecting through identified weasand chute from SF into red OR, into an orange tub. Then being transferred to mountain chain room for cleaning & packing.</p>
SF Pre-Op (5/3/21)	<p>Hock cutters filthy on handle, around screw fittings and end of black hose. Fly in gut room. Cockroach in foetal blood room on metal cover over screw which was dirty. Chiller 1 back wall under fans dirty. QA to monitor and will record findings on form 2a/001. QA to monitor and will record findings on form 2a/001 OPV has sighted and signed SF pre-op form 2a/001 since the above findings with ratings acceptable. In addition, FSMA conducted SF pre-Op check on 8/4/21 with him not observing any of the above issues: CLOSED.</p>
Importing Country /Requirements	<p>Performed reconciliation of horse kill sheet against HVD's for kill 23/2/21 with the following anomalies found: 1. Lot 6 - vendor s. 47F(1) Body # 59 declared a female on HVD # 61093 but a male on company kill sheet. 2. Lot 6 - vendor s. 47F(1) Body # 61 declared a female on HVD #60193 and on company kill sheet but a gelding by FSMA on SF who was collecting an NRS sample. 3. Lot 6 - vendor s. 47F(1) Body # 66 declared a female on HVD # 61093 but a male on company kill sheet. 4. Lot 4 – vendor s. 47F(1) A brown gelding collar # 2769 not on kill sheet (collar 4769 on kill sheet but listed as a female). 5. Lot 4 – vendor s. 47F(1) A chesnut mare collar # 4722 not listed on kill sheet (collar 4702 on kill sheet). 6. Lot 9 – vendor s. 47F(1) Body # 99 (collar #2788) declared a bay gelding on HVD# 61697 but listed as female on kill sheet.</p> <p>Performed subsequent reconciliation of horse kill sheet SD: 9/3/21 with the following anomalies found: Lot 2 – vendor s. 47F(1) BN13 (collar 4719) listed on horse lot summary as a female but was a gelding when verified by FSMA on kill floor. Lot 3 – vendor s. 47F(1) BN30 (collar 7422) listed on horse lot summary as a female but was a gelding when verified by FSMA on kill floor. Lot 6: vendor s. 47F(1) BN81 (collar 5202) listed on horse lot summary as a male but was a female when verified by FSMA on kill floor. Lot 6: vendor s. 47F(1) BN83 (collar 5202) listed on horse lot summary as a female but was a male when verified by FSMA on kill floor.</p> <p>This compromises traceability, a non-conformance from the last EU audit. ATM was consulted and he stated that any further non-conformances in the future will result in a CAR being issued. s. 22(1)(a)(iii) has advised that sex is not required for traceability for EU, that only HVD & collar number is required.</p>



Carcase chiller process CTC – Monthly (18/2/21)	<p>Findings: Inside of doors in chillers 2 and 3 dirty. See CTC 1/3/21: repeat issue. QA is completing form 2a/007. See response above. 31/03/21 OPV s. 22(1)(a)(i) to sight forms & sign before next week's meeting</p>
Non-Critical production and Ancillary area CTC – Monthly – 11/02/21)	<p>Findings: Drain to dry goods store blocked with mud/slush being transferred in to room by fork lift. Dispatch Supervisor notified. Issue remains as of 18/2/21. Maintenance manager said at last meeting 25/2/21 that drain cannot be cleared so may have to fill drain with concrete: Work in progress. 31/03/21 Still in progress. ISSUE again observed CTC 8/4/21: URGENT REPAIR ADVISED.</p>
Load out chiller/freezer stores process and product CTC – Monthly (2/2/21).	<p>Findings: Old rusty fan plate room: repair or remove? : repeat finding from CTC 9/12/20. Company response – maintenance to remove rust by painting fan. 31/03/21 – this has been painted/repaired. Verified as cleaned/repaired by OPV 8/4/21: ISSUE CLOSED.</p>
Environmental hygiene CTC – Monthly (3/2/21)	<p>Findings: <u>1. Surrounds:</u> a. Pot holes on road near front entrance have re-immersed after heavy rain: large cracked & broken concrete areas on roads near load-out. REPAIR REQUIRED AFTER RECENT RAIN. Repeat issue observed from CTC 7/12/20: Work in progress. 8/4/21 – A lot of potholes have appeared inside the front entrance following the recent rain. Company response: Due to be repaired within the next few days.</p>
QSS	<p>1. Salmonella window down to 48 after two negative horse carcass results 14/2/21 (Symbio cert# B996349). 2. E coli window for horse carcass swabs to restart at 15 due to positive result received 14/2/21 (Symbio cert # B996349). 31/03/21 – OPV's not getting Symbio emails. Company update on Window status please Company response. QA were sending old submission forms that did not have OPV email address. This has now been sorted and OPV should be receiving them. OPV can confirm that results have been received from Symbio for the past week but require a count of how many samples are currently left in each window.</p>
	ATM March 2021 Audit Observations & Comments:
GHP	Non-compliance of drop meat procedures – CAR issued
Sanitation	<p>1. Cross contamination due to condensation on the ceiling of the BR ante-room, scales and storage areas 2. Dirty aprons in ante-room from previous day 3. Product cross-contamination e.gf carcase robes, plastics. 4. Exposed packaging material in contact with boxes exposed to environment. 5. Pre-trim operator removing trim pieces by hand and not washing with soap. 31/03/21 – Internal NCI issued for these findings . Company CAP response received by OPV with verification in progress.</p>



Personal Hygiene	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One set of amenities for all production workers including hide-on operators. Potential for cross contamination – Management to demonstrate compliance in this area 2. Some operator's hair/beards not properly contained (s. 47F(1) identified) 3. Male amenities – poor personal hygiene practices – dirty boots, inappropriate storage of personal clothing & equipment storage & evidence of food consumption. <p>Items all covered in internal Car. OPV has sighted and verified signatures from all operators following toolbox meeting. DAWE will perform random verifications going forward to ensure sustained compliance.</p>
Structure and Equipment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Main fans dispatch & old rusty fan plate not cleaned (on discussion items above). OPV verified cleaning of fans as sighted 8/4/21: ISSUE CLOSED. 2. Dripping condensation adjacent to new ceiling drain at junction of 2nd and 3rd ceiling joint. 3. Light entering at base of exterior door from dispatch due to damaged rubber seal 4. Exterior door rear of plate room large gap at bottom left corner. Door up and not functional 8/4/21. 5. No air curtain at second loading dock – 31/03/21 – a deposit was placed on an air curtain but that company can't supply anymore, Company now sourcing from another company 6. No light in some areas of quarter chillers. AA also doesn't have light intensity requirements specified for different areas.
Product Supply chain Integrity	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fourteen RFID tags unread out of total beef kill 189 on 16/03/21 2. Operator on SF not identifying sex of horses correctly 3. Some horse collar numbers recorded incorrectly. <p>There was a mistake on the horse lot summary sheet concerning BN33 from horse kill on 6/4/21 which was recorded as a female (collar 5618). However, the FSMA confirmed on the SF that this animal was in fact a 4yo grey stallion (collar stated on HVD to be 5605): COMPANY NEED TO CORRECT THESE CONTINUING DISCREPANCIES BETWEEN HVD AND POST SCALE RECORDINGS.</p>
Animal Welfare and Handling	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wounds on several horses from s. 47F(1) draft on 23/03/21. Incident report pending? Root cause to be identified and addressed going forward.
	ATM February 2021 Audit Observations and Comments:
GHP	<p>Carcasses examined at MHA and tails examined in offal room had some hide dirt and specks, most of which were identified by the auditor for trimming (CA). Supervisor to get WI signed by all CCP operators.</p> <p>OPV s. 22(1)(a)(i) to sight forms & sign before next week's meeting. OPV sighted and verified signed WI 11/019 (low trim) and WI 11/016 (offal room processing) on 8/4/21: ISSUE CLOSED.</p>
Sanitation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The operative at hock cutting station was not rinsing hands and knife. Knife was placed into 6terilizer with blood buildup on handle and the operator was touching soap dispenser allowing blood to accumulate on the dispenser (CA). Operator received written warning and resigned WI. OPV s. 22(1)(a)(i) waiting to sight signed WI as of 8/4/21. 2. Second loading dock in dispatch remains without air curtains. Company and OPV to conduct risk assessment and provide report to ATM (CA). 31/03/21 – a deposit was placed on an air curtain but that company can't supply anymore, Company now sourcing from another company



	3. Waste fluid from blocked drainage pipe was puddling and accumulating over concrete pathways and surrounds of the carton stores. Cross contamination risk to forklift carrying cartons from carton stores (CA). Maintenance aware of issue and due to weather conditions cannot be done sooner. 31/03/21 Remains in progress. Issue not observed during CTC 8/4/21.			
Personal Hygiene	There were dirty knives and aprons stored in a personal gear storage rack in the white offal room during smoko break (CA) Operator resigned WI 11/016. OPV sighted and verified signed WI 9/3/21: ISSUE CLOSED.			
Pest Control	The toxic rodent bait map is not clear and this needs to be reviewed. The baits have to be identified individually and the adequacy of the toxic bait stations to prevent any rodent ingress need to be assessed (CA). Work in progress. Updated map sent to ATM and OPV and received 25/3/21: ISSUE CLOSED.			
Refrigeration	Some snow build up noted on the plates of plate freezer. In progress with Maintenance. Not observed during subsequent Loadout and Chiller/Freezer CTC 31/3/21: ISSUE CLOSED.			
Structure and Equipment	The MHA lighting at the bottom section of the carcass was inadequate due to shadowing (CA). In progress with maintenance. Light CH3 still not working (see previous CTC 21/1/21). Verified by OPV as repaired 8/4/21: ISSUE CLOSED.			
Monthly Verification samples:-	STEC verification sample for April 21 YET TO BE COLLECTED. Monthly Non-EU HGP free sample (Liver) for Apr 21 collected 8/4/21 with dispatch to NMI expected 12/4/21.			
Monthly MEVS monitoring verification checks	MEVS CTC verification checks pending for week ending 18.04.2021. a) SF process monitoring verification b) Animal handling process monitoring			
Product Hygiene Index/Post Mortem Verification	ZT found in BR MHA by DA 30/03/21 – NCI issued ZT defect identified in SF 12/04/21 – NCI issued.			
Management Matters / Requests	Company have repeated their request to have several updated SOP's approved by ATM who has not the time at present to look at them. 31/03/21 – s. 22(1)(a)(ii) has advised that these are to be signed by OPV before sending to ATM for stamping/signing. SOP's are with OPV now for review/signing before re-submission to ATM. Company has requested for FSMA to be advised that ECA-4/DA retain tags are to be removed by OPV or FSMA only and not via email communication instructing company to remove them. This has arisen from FSMA sending an email (17/02/21) instructing the company the tags could be removed from a species testing batch, and a worker has removed them and kept them in load-out draw, and tags were only found yesterday (30/03). Company doesn't want any confusion around removal of ECA-4/retain tags, and want a hard & fast rule that OPV or FSMA is to remove them themselves. 31/03/21 - OPV s. 22(1)(a)(ii) spoken to FSMA s. 22(1)(a)(ii) about this: ISSUE CLOSED.			
Meat Notice/ MAA	Discussed with Company management	Amendment to SOP/AA – and date submitted to OPV	Submission to ATM for review and approval	Date of ATM approval



MAA2116 Brazil: health certificate for beef (meat, meat products and edible offal) - UPDATE					
MAA2115 - United Kingdom - New deadline for the revision of export certification to Great Britain					
MAA2114 - China - Update on the use of the product description 'trimmings'					
31/03/21- Company has asked that listing of all new MAA's could please be continued as above each week.					
EUCAS cattle – NRS sample re-allocation	s. 22(1)(a)(ii)				
Other	OPV – s. 47F(1) ; FSMA: s. 22(1)(a)(ii)				

OPS Signature:

s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Date: 12/04/2021

Management Representative Signature:

s. 47F(1)

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