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The Specified Bovine Material (Treatment and Disposal (No.2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

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Invocation of the Emergency Procedure : Yes

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2. Member State

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3. Originating Department

Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland

4. Notification Number

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

The offals and certain other parts of bovine animals which have died in Northern Ireland or been slaughtered there, together with food, animal feedingstuffs and fertilisers containing such material. These offals and other parts of the animals are known as specified bovine material (sbm).

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The purpose of the legislation is to re-ananct with amendments the Specified Bovine Material (Treatment and Disposal) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 to take account of advice from the independent Spongiform Encephalopathy Committee (SEAC) on the need to dispose of certain waste as specified bovine material (SBM).

The principle changes are as follows:

- a) to introduce certain new restrictions on the storage, packaging and consignment of products containing mammalian meat.
- b) to require that solid matter resulting form the slaughter of bovine animals and which is found in drainage traps in slaughterhouses, are treated as SBM;
- c) to clarify certain technical requirements of the legislation.

The new legislation also allows SBM in rendering plants to be mixed with other animal material, provided the subsequent product of the mixture is treated as SBM and destroyed.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

This replacement legislation is necessary to introduce new



measures recommended by SEAC as being necessary to minimise any possible risk to animal or human health from SBM. The removal of the prohibition on mixing of SBM and non-SBM material in rendering plants is to overcome practical problems in Northern Ireland because of the small scale of the rendering industry. It is also necessary to clarify certain technical provisions in the legislation where there exists doubts as to its requirements.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

I The Specified Bovine Material (Treatment and Disposal (No.2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 ii N/A iii N/A

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure Yes

12. Grounds for the Emergency

The UK Government is committed to implementing the recommendations of SEAC at the earliest possible opportunity, given that this Committee provides the necessary advice to the UK Government on matters relating to spongiform encephalopathies, including the risks to human and animal health.

Amendments to clarify certain technical provisions in the legislation are also required with a minimum of delay.

13. Confidentiality

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14. Fiscal measures

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