MEAT STANDARDS AUSTRALIA

Amendment Advice 4/2014 – 7th August 2014

TO: All Meat Standards Australia (MSA) licensed retailers

ATTENTION: MSA Coordinator, QA manager

It is a requirement of a Meat Standards Australia (MSA) licensed retailer to adhere to the relevant sections of the current MSA Standards Manual for the sale of MSA certified beef and sheepmeat.

MSA advises an amendment has been made to the MSA Standards. The MSA Standards have been reformatted into supply chain sections. The sections relevant to MSA retailers include:

Section 1 – Foreword and Introduction
Section 3 – Licence and Trade Mark
Section 11 – MSA end users
Section 12 – Compliance and audit requirements
Section 13 - Suspension or Termination and Dispute Resolution
Section 14 – MLA Privacy Policy

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MSA retailers will have immediate access to the revised documents via the MSA beef and MSA sheepmeat page of the Meat Standards Australia website, www.mla.com.au/msa.

MSA licensed retailers should note the changes to relevant sections of this publication and update any electronic or printed copies maintained on file. The revised Standards will be effective immediately.

If you have any queries on the amendment information contained in this advice or wish to update your contact details, please contact Meat Standards Australia on 1800 111 672 or email msaenquiries@mla.com.au.

Kind regards,

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