



Notice to Industry

33/2007-2008

**Imported (Uncooked) Pig Meat
Transfer of Coordination of Activities to the
Entry Management National Coordination Centre (EM NCC)**

The purpose of this notice is to advise industry of the progressive transfer to the EM NCC of the coordination of all activities relating to the clearance and movement to Quarantine Approved Premises (QAPs) for storage, and subsequent movement of imported (uncooked) pig meat shipments to approved processing facilities.

What is the role and function of the EM NCC?

As previously advised in [Notice to Industry 02/2007-2008](#), the EM NCC has been established in Adelaide, and is progressively assuming responsibility for a range of entry management activities currently undertaken in AQIS regional offices. To date, this has included the finalisation of unsupervised quarantine treatments and management of outstanding AIMS entries. The next activity trialled and transferred to the EM NCC was the coordination of all activities relating to imported (uncooked) pig meat shipments from NSW. Due to the success of the trial, the EM NCC will now undertake the coordination of all regional entry management activities of imported (uncooked) pig meat.

How will coordination of activities relating to imported (uncooked) pig meat be transferred?

AQIS has decided to move the remaining regional entry processing of pig meat to the EM NCC progressively as per the following dates:

WA - Monday 26 May 2008	SE QLD - Monday 2 June 2008	VIC - Tuesday 10 June 2008
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What activities are to be included in the transfer?

The EM NCC will perform the following functions:

- All initial entry processing for imported (uncooked) pig meat shipments;
- Processing of all movement requests for consignments of imported (uncooked) pig meat on AIMS entries;
- Central contact point for reporting of non-conformities in relation to consignments of imported (uncooked) pig meat, for example, additional cartons received and/or bone in product.

What activities are not included in the transfer?

The EM NCC will not be responsible for issuing import permits and will not undertake auditing of QAPs or pig meat processors operating under compliance agreements.

Permit assessment and issuing will remain the responsibility of the Biologicals Program in the AQIS Canberra Office. Auditing of premises and compliance agreement arrangements will continue to be undertaken by the applicable AQIS Regional Office.

How will the transfer affect my business?

As previously advised in [Notice to Industry 02/2007-2008](#), if you are lodging entries or importing, storing or processing imported (uncooked) pig meat into any of the aforementioned regions, you will need to direct import documents, movement requests and all reports of non-conformities to the EM NCC from the applicable date advised above.

How do I contact the EM NCC?

Fax: 1300 665 674

Telephone: 1300 796 255

E-Mail: emncc@aqis.gov.au

Hours of operation: 7.30am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday, Australian Central Standard Time.

Further advice:

Should you have any enquiries regarding the transfer of activities to the EM NCC, please do not hesitate to contact the Entry Management Projects Team by email EMprojects@aqis.gov.au or alternatively by telephone on 02 6272 4728.