

To: Interested Parties

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Dear Stakeholder,

The Bovine Products (Restriction on Placing on the Market) (Scotland) (No.2) Amendment Regulations 2007 SSI 2007 No. 338

These amendment Regulations were made on 25 June 2007 and came into force on 27 June. They amend the Bovine Products (Restriction on Placing on the Market) (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 2005 which implemented Commission Decision 2005/598/EC, prohibiting the placing on the market of certain products derived from cattle born or reared within the UK before 1 August 1996.

The amendment Regulations update references to certain pieces of Community legislation that appear in the Regulations. In particular, the amendment refers to Decision 2007/411/EC, which replaced Decision 2005/598/EC with effect from 14 June 2007 to allow the hides of prohibited UK cattle to be used for leather production. The restrictions on products derived from cattle born or reared within the UK before 1 August 1996 have not changed in any other way.

Separate, parallel legislation has been made in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

The amendment Regulations may be read on the website of the Office of Public Sector Information at <http://www.opsi.gov.uk/legislation/scotland/ssi2007/20070338.htm>

Yours faithfully,

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