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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>CYPRUS</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment
3.	Products covered (tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Animal waste
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Order under the Contagious Diseases of Animals Law 319 of 1987 (11 pages)
5.	Description of content: 1. This Order lays down: a) the animal and public health requirements for the: i) disposal and/or processing of animal waste in order to destroy pathogens which might be present in such materials; ii) production of feedingstuffs of animal origin in such manner as to prevent the presence of any pathogens therein; b) the rules for the placing on the market of animal waste intended for purposes other than consumption; c) the rules for the approval of alternative heat treatment systems for processing animal waste with a view to the inactivation of spongiform encephalopathy agents.
6.	Objective and rationale: Animal and public health
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [X]. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, whenever possible, identify deviations:
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The animal waste Order of 1997. It will be published in the Official Journal of the Republic of Cyprus when adopted (available in Greek). The provisions are similar to the ones applied by the EU member States towards which Cyprus intends to harmonise its policies.

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9.	Proposed date of adoption: 1 January 1998
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: 1 January 1998, except the provisions of Annex II, Chapter 11 (Hygiene requirements relating to operation in animal-waste processing plants) par. a-d relating to conditions of processing, which will entry into force on the date of the publication in the Official Journal of the Republic of Cyprus.
11.	Final date for comments: 20 December 1997 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: Department of Veterinary Services
12.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telefax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Dr. Pavlos Economides Director of the Department of Veterinary Services 1417 Nicosia Cyprus Fax: (02) 33 28 03 E-mail: vet.services@cytanet.com.cy