

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

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| Project Title | Australian Export Meat Inspection Service Review | | |

Project Summary

Palladium International Pty Ltd is conducting an independent review of the Australian Export Meat Inspection System (AEMIS), the system of meat inspection, verification and compliance that provides trading partners with certainty on food safety. When AEMIS was introduced in 2011, it was agreed that the system would be reviewed regularly to ensure it delivered positive outcomes and productivity gains. AMPC is funding this independent review, which has been endorsed by the Export Meat Industry Advisory Committee. The review is forward-looking and will assess whether the system is cost-effective, efficient and fit-for-purpose in protecting and promoting market access for Australian meat and meat products, including red meat and pork. The review will make recommendations about future needs, which will provide at least equivalent outcomes and transparency to markets as the current system.

Type of Industry Participation Required

Site Visit
 Telephone Interview

Detailed Requirements for Participation

Palladium will undertake consultations with relevant government and industry stakeholders between April and July 2019, complemented by desktop analysis of source materials.

AMPC members are invited to express their interest in being involved in a site visit by the review team, which will include interviews with company management and relevant staff and tours of facilities to discuss operations. Interviews will focus on five key areas of enquiry, in line with the terms of reference for the review. These are: technical requirements of the system, market access requirements, service delivery, financial and operational aspects of the export of meat and meat products as defined by the Export Control (Meat and Meat Products) Orders 2005. The review will also consider current and future reforms, including relating to product hygiene indicators, post mortem inspection and halal certification.

Palladium is seeking to ensure that site visits are made to a cross-section of industry, with consideration for type (processors and non-processors), operating model, location, product and market. Subject to the number of EOIs, it may not be possible to visit all sites, but Palladium will contact all businesses that express interest.

Further information on the review, including the consultation process, is available at www.aemisreview.com.au. Other consultation options include making a submission to the review and requesting telephone interviews.

Benefits of Participating

Site visits will provide Palladium with a detailed understanding of how cost-effective, efficient and fit-for-purpose AEMIS is for different stakeholders in the meat and meat processing sector. By being involved, you can provide insights to your experience of the system since its introduction in 2011 and make recommendations to ensure it protects and promotes market access for Australian meat and meat products, including for future needs.

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