

Rural and Regional Adjustment Amendment Regulation (No. 7) 2014

Subordinate Legislation 2014 No. 230

made under the

Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994

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1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the Rural and Regional Adjustment Amendment Regulation (No. 7) 2014.

2 Regulation amended

This regulation amends the Rural and Regional Adjustment Regulation 2011.

3 Amendment of sch 25 (Bovine Johne's Disease Assistance Scheme)

(1) Schedule 25, section 1—

omit, insert—

1 Objective of scheme

The objective of the scheme is to provide assistance to eligible applicants who, because of an occurrence of bovine Johne's disease in Queensland, have suffered financial loss as a result of 1 or more of the following—

- (a) the slaughter of cattle;
- (b) alternative supply actions affecting cattle;
- (c) the short-term quarantine of cattle.
- (2) Schedule 25, section 2, 'or taking alternative supply actions affecting'—

omit, insert—

taking alternative supply actions affecting, or carrying out the short-term quarantine of

(3) Schedule 25, section 3—

insert—

disease plan, for part 4A, see section 11A. short-term assistance see section 5(c).

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short-term quarantine, of cattle, means the quarantine of cattle for a period of at least 2 months, but not more than 6 months.

(4) Schedule 25, section 4(1), '7(1)(e)(i) or (ii)'— *omit, insert*—

7(e)(i) or (ii)

(5) Schedule 25, section 5, 'either or both'—

omit, insert—

1 or more

(6) Schedule 25, section 5—

insert—

- (c) a grant (*short-term assistance*) to help an eligible applicant recover from the financial impact of carrying out the short-term quarantine of cattle under planned slaughter or testing conditions.
- (7) Schedule 25, section 6— *omit, insert*—

6 Maximum amount of total assistance under scheme

The maximum amount of the total assistance that may be given to an eligible applicant for all forms of assistance under the scheme is \$100,000.

Note—

See section 11C(2) for the maximum amount of short-term assistance that may be given to an eligible applicant.

(8) Schedule 25, section 7(d), 'either or both'—

omit, insert—

1 or more

(9) Schedule 25, section 7(d)—
insert—

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- (iii) short-term assistance under section 11B; and
- (10) Schedule 25, section 7(f)— *omit.*
- (11) Schedule 25, section 8(2)— *omit, insert*
 - (2) However, the applicant is not eligible for direct market assistance for slaughtering an animal—
 - (a) that was 11 years or older; or
 - (b) in relation to which—
 - (i) assistance under the scheme has already been granted; or
 - (ii) an earlier application has been made but is yet to be decided.
- (12) Schedule 25, section 9(1), 'applicant under the scheme'—

 omit, insert—

eligible applicant

(13) Schedule 25, section 10—

insert—

- (2) However, the applicant is not eligible for supply chain pathway assistance for the costs incurred in taking alternative supply actions that affect any of the cattle if—
 - (a) supply chain pathway assistance has already been granted for—
 - (i) the same costs in relation to the cattle; or
 - (ii) the costs incurred in taking alternative supply actions in relation to the cattle under a supply chain plan other than the plan mentioned in subsection (1)(b); or

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- (b) direct market assistance has already been granted in relation to the cattle; or
- (c) an earlier application has been made in relation to the cattle but is yet to be decided.
- (14) Schedule 25, section 11(1), 'applicant under the scheme'—

 omit, insert—

 eligible applicant
- (15) Schedule 25—

insert—

Part 4A Short-term assistance

11A Definition for pt 4A

In this part—

disease plan means—

- (a) a property disease investigation plan; or
- (b) a property disease eradication plan.

11B Eligibility criteria

- (1) An applicant is eligible for short-term assistance if, in addition to being satisfied of the matters mentioned in section 7, the authority is satisfied—
 - (a) cattle owned by the applicant have been, but are no longer—
 - (i) under short-term quarantine; and
 - (ii) subject to planned slaughter or testing conditions under a disease plan prepared by the applicant in response to bovine Johne's disease; and
 - (b) the applicant has incurred costs in implementing the disease plan; and

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- (c) the applicant has not already received the maximum amount of short-term assistance that may be given to an eligible applicant.
- (2) However, the applicant is not eligible for short-term assistance for the costs incurred in carrying out the short-term quarantine of any of the cattle if—
 - (a) short-term assistance has already been granted for—
 - (i) the same costs in relation to the cattle; or
 - (ii) the costs incurred in carrying out the short-term quarantine of the cattle under a disease plan other than the plan mentioned in subsection (1)(a)(ii); or
 - (b) direct market assistance has already been granted in relation to the cattle; or
 - (c) an earlier application has been made in relation to the cattle but is yet to be decided.

11C Amount of short-term assistance

(1) The amount of short-term assistance that may be given to an eligible applicant is half of the amount of the costs incurred by the applicant in implementing the disease plan.

Examples of costs—

- costs of feeding or agisting the cattle or consigning the cattle to a feedlot
- costs of transporting the cattle to an alternative market
- (2) However, the maximum amount of short-term assistance that may be given to an eligible applicant is \$20,000.
- (3) Also, this section is subject to section 6.

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(16) Schedule 25, section 12(2)(b), '7(1)(e)(i) or (ii)'—

omit, insert—

7(e)(i) or (ii)

(17) Schedule 25, section 12(3), 'or alternative supply actions affecting'—

omit, insert—

alternative supply actions affecting, or the short-term quarantine of

(18) Schedule 25, section 12—

insert—

- (5A) If the application is for short-term assistance, the applicant must give the authority evidence of the costs incurred in carrying out the short-term quarantine of the cattle in the form of tax invoices, official receipts for payment or bank statements.
- (19) Schedule 25, section 12(6)(a), 'or (5)'— *omit, insert*—

 , (5) or (5A)

ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 2 October 2014.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 3 October 2014.
- 3 The administering agency is the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

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