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To: Organisations on the attached list

Dear Sir or Madam

ECONOMICS AND FARM ANIMAL WELFARE

The Farm Animal Welfare Council has convened a Working Group for a study on the important issue of economics and farm animal welfare.

The Group will consider the interactions between the economics of livestock production and animal welfare in the UK before making recommendations to government on relevant actions to safeguard and promote welfare.

The scope of this study includes:-

- Peoples willingness to pay for better farm animal welfare
- The nature of the relationships between farm profitability and welfare
- Market mechanisms and the interactions between farmers, processors, retailers and shoppers
- Welfare standards and international trade
- The role of Government

Please find attached a questionnaire which will allow us to consolidate and evaluate all responses. It will also ensure that we identify what are the key concerns for stakeholders and potential solutions.

We would be grateful for you or your organisation's views on the subject and any comments or advice you feel able to offer to inform the Group's deliberations.

In addition to this exercise, we may write to some organisations or individuals with specific questions as work progresses. Some organisations or individuals may also be invited to discussions with the group. Normally FAWC reports list the names of the organisations that responded to consultations or gave further assistance. Should you prefer to be excluded from such a list please let me know when you reply.

If you believe there are any important omissions from the list of consultees, I would be grateful if you could let me have the address of an appropriate contact. If you are not the appropriate contact within your organisation, could you please pass this letter to the relevant individual.

Chairman: Professor Christopher Wathes, BSc, PhD
FAWC website: <http://www.fawc.org.uk>

Many thanks for your assistance. **Could you please let me have your contribution as soon as possible and not later than 14 September 2007**, to allow collation of responses prior to our **stakeholder consultation meeting on 28 September 2007**. Please note this date in your diary and further details will be sent later. Contributions can be sent either by email or in hard copy to the address overleaf.

This letter and attachments are also available on our website: www.fawc.org.uk

Yours faithfully

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CONSULTEES

Advisory Committee on Organic Standards
Advocates for Animals
ADAS
Agricultural Research Institute of Northern Ireland
Animal Aid
Animal Diseases Research Association Mordun Institute
Animal Health Trust
Animal Science, Ethics and Law Veterinary Association
Animal Welfare Institute
Asda Group PLC
Associated British Foods
Association of British Abattoir Operators
Assured British Meat
Assured Food Standards
Bernard Matthews
Board of Deputies of British Jews
British Cattle Veterinary Association
British Chicken Information Service
British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
British Egg Industry Council
British Food Export Council
British Free Range Egg Producers Association
British Frozen Food Federation
British Meat Federation
British Meat Processors Association
British Nutrition Federation
British Organic Farmers
British Pig Association
British Pig Executive
British Poultry Breeders and Hatcheries Association
British Poultry Council
British Retail Consortium
British Society of Animal Science
British Veterinary Association
British Veterinary Poultry Association
Budgen's
Burger King
Compassion in World Farming
Consumers Association
Co-operative Wholesale Society Ltd
Dairy Industry Federation
Defra
Clive Dibben – 2nd Pillar Projects
Professor Peter English

English Beef and Lamb Executive
European Commission
Farm and Food Society
Farm Animal Care Trust
Farm Animal Welfare Network
Farm Assured Scottish Beef and Lamb
Farm Assured Scottish Quality Pork
Farm Assured Welsh Livestock
Farmers Guardian
Farmers Union of Wales
Farmers Weekly
Farming News
Food Standards Agency
Freedom Food Ltd
Game Marketing Executive
Gelli Aur Agricultural College
Ginster's
Goat Veterinary Society
The Grocer
Halal Food Authority
Humane Farm Animal Care
Humane Slaughter Association
Iceland
Independent Food Retailers Confederation
Institute of Agricultural Economists
Institute of Biology
Institute of Food Research
Institute of Grocery Distribution
International Fund for Animal Welfare
Islamic Cultural Centre
Islamic Food and Nutrition Council
Islamic Foundation
John Lewis Plc
KFC
LACORS
Professor Tim Laing
Livestock Auctioneers Association
Livestock and Meat Commission for Northern Ireland
Macauley Land Use Research Institute
Marks and Spencer PLC
McDonalds
Professor John McInerney
Meat Hygiene Service
Meat and Livestock Commission
Meat Promotion Wales
Meat Trades Journal
Milk Development Council
Morrison's
Muslim Council of Britain
National Animal Health and Welfare Panel

National Beef Association
National Consumer Council
National Council of Shechita Boards
National Council of Women of Great Britain
National Farmers Union
National Farmers Union of Scotland
National Farmers Union of Wales
National Federation of Meat and Food Traders
National Association of Women's Institutes
National Federation of Young Farmers Clubs
National Game Dealers Association
National Office of Animal Health
National Sheep Association
National Trust
Northern Foods PLC
Office International des Epizooties
Peel Holroyd
Pig Veterinary Society
Quality Meat and Livestock Alliance
Quality Meat Scotland
Road Haulage Association
Roslin Institute
Rowett Research Institute
Royal Agricultural College
Royal Agricultural Society of England
Royal Association of British Dairy Farmers
Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons
Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
Royal Veterinary College
Sainsbury's
Scottish Agricultural College
Scottish Centre for Animal Welfare Science
Scottish Consumers Council
Scottish Federation of Meat Traders Associations
Scottish Food Quality Certification
Scottish Meat and Livestock Commission
Scottish Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
SEERAD
Shechita UK
SVS
Soil Association
Somerfield Stores Ltd
SUSTAIN – The Alliance for Better Food and Farming
Tesco Stores Ltd
3663
Union of Muslim Organisations of UK & Eire
Universities Federation for Animal Welfare
University of Aberdeen
University of Birmingham
University of Bristol

University of Cambridge
University of Cardiff
University of Leeds
University of Manchester
University of Newcastle upon Tyne
University of Nottingham
University of Oxford
University of Plymouth
University of Reading
University of Stirling
University of Wales Aberystwyth
Vegetarian and Economy and Green Agriculture
Veterinary Laboratories Agency
Veterinary Medicines Directorate
Waitrose
Welsh Consumer Council
Welsh Local Government Association
Whole Foods Market
Womens' Food and Farming Union
World Society for the Protection of Animals
World Trade Organisation