Biosecurity (Appointment of Chief Veterinary Officer and Deputy Chief Veterinary Officers) Instrument 2023

under the

Biosecurity Act 2015

I, **LISA SZABO**, Acting Deputy Director General, Biosecurity and Food Safety, having delegated authority, make the following Instrument of Appointment under section 377 of the *Biosecurity Act 2015*.

Dated this 15 day of June 2023

LISA SZABO

Acting Deputy Director General Biosecurity and Food Safety Department of Regional NSW

Part 1 Preliminary

1 Name

This instrument is the *Biosecurity (Appointment of Chief Veterinary Officer and Deputy Chief Veterinary Officers) Instrument 2023.*

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day it is signed.

3 Revocation of previous instrument

The Biosecurity (Appointment of Chief Veterinary Officer and Deputy Chief Veterinary Officers) Instrument 2022 dated 19 August 2022 is revoked, as is any instrument revived as a result of this revocation.

4 Interpretation

In this instrument:

clerk grade 11/12 means a person employed in the Department at the clerk grade 11/12 level or higher in accordance with the Crown Employees (Administrative and Clerical Officers – Salaries) Award 2007.

professional officer grade 6 means a person employed in the Department at professional officer grade 6 level or higher in accordance with the Crown Employees (Department of Industry, Skills and Regional Development) Professional Officers Award.

role includes office.

senior executive band 1 means a senior executive employed in the Department in Band 1 as described in the Government Sector Employment (Senior Executive Bands)

Determination 2014.

the Act means the Biosecurity Act 2015.

the Department means Department of Regional NSW.

title includes title of an office.

Part 2 Appointments

5 Appointment of Chief Veterinary Officer

- (1) The officer employed in the Department who meets the following criteria is appointed as the Chief Veterinary Officer:
 - (a) is assigned to the role having the title Director Animal Biosecurity & Chief Veterinary Officer, and
 - (b) is eligible for full registration as a veterinary practitioner under the *Veterinary Practice Act 2003*.
- (2) The person assigned to the role Director Animal Biosecurity & Chief Veterinary Officer includes any person who is for the time being is acting in that role or performing the duties and responsibilities of that role.

Note. A person who is acting in or performing the duties and responsibilities of the Director Animal Biosecurity & Chief Veterinary Officer is not appointed as the Chief Veterinary Officer unless that person is also eligible for full registration as a veterinary practitioner.

6 Appointment of Deputy Chief Veterinary Officers

- (1) An officer employed in the Department who meets the following criteria is appointed as a Deputy Chief Veterinary Officer:
 - (a) is employed in the Department's Animal Biosecurity unit,
 - (b) is employed as a:
 - (i) professional officer grade 6, or
 - (ii) clerk grade 11/12, and
 - (c) is eligible for full registration as a veterinary practitioner under the *Veterinary Practice Act 2003*.
- (2) A person assigned to a grade referred to in clause 6(1)(b) includes any person who is for the time being acting at that grade.
- (3) A Deputy Chief Veterinary Officer appointed under this clause may exercise any function of the Chief Veterinary Officer on all terms and in all circumstances.