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Subject: BFSN Communication - For Information: Recall of eggs due to potential Salmonella Enteritidis contamination [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]
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Dear Bi-National Food Safety Network Officers,

NSW Department of Primary Industries have requested that the following information be circulated to the Network for information:

Outbreak of locally acquired Salmonella Enteritidis in NSW and recall action

NSW Health and NSW DPI have been investigating a cluster of locally acquired Salmonella Enteritidis cases in the greater Sydney area. To date 23 cases have been linked by whole genome sequencing, with 5 others pending. The known onset dates range from 18 May - 19 August.

As part of the investigation, samples were obtained from an egg farm that supplied a business making cakes. A leftover cake from a case's house was positive for SE. This morning we were advised of 2 swabs from the farm also being positive for SE.

As part of the national SE response plan, the farm will be quarantined and all affected eggs recalled. Hopefully the recall will be actioned this afternoon/evening, or by tomorrow.

The farm operation is relatively small and large scale distribution interstate is unlikely, but will be confirmed as part of the recall process.

There are no known associations or links with other cases interstate (with the exception of one person who travelled to Sydney).

Further sampling on farm and from birds will occur next week to determine the extent of SE prevalence.

Warm regards,

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