Increase In Indonesian Cattle Imports

Indonesia has announced it will increase the number of Australian cattle it will import following discussions between the Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and the Indonesian President Susiljo Bambang Yudhoyono.

The new regulation released in Indonesia on Thursday allows for the import of additional cattle from Australia through to December, 2013.

An additional 25,000 head of cattle can be exported in the next three months. Further imports for the second three month period will be advised by the Indonesian Ministry of Agriculture.

Importantly there is no weight restriction on the cattle to be exported with Indonesia indicating that the animals should be ready for slaughter.

The Rudd Government looks forward to Australian and Indonesian industry collaborating with producers and shipping companies to source cattle from Northern Australia for export.

The Australian Government understands Indonesia’s desire to stabilise the price of beef during Ramadan and into the future.

The Rudd Government and Australian industry are keen to work with Indonesia to plan for longer term certainty in the market to ensure Indonesia’s requirements are met.

This includes the Indonesia Australia Red Meat and Cattle Forum announced during the Prime Minister’s visit to Indonesia on 5 July and the $60 million allocated by the Rudd Government to support improvements in the Indonesian beef supply sector.

The Rudd Government welcomes the Indonesian Government’s recognition and support for the export of cattle consistent with animal welfare standards, including Australia’s regulatory requirements in the Exporter Supply Chain Assurance System (ESCAS).

Source: maff.gov.au

Stats

July 2013*
Number of enquiries received: 340
Total estimated value: $31.176 million
Number of NT nominations: 1083
Number of new NT company profiles: 23
*Figures for 1–30 July 2013 inclusive.

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News

AACo has announced that the company will begin the transition to a new Managing Director and CEO, following agreement between the Board and the current CEO, David Farley, that he would cease employment with AACo.

The company made no specific mention to plans involving the Abattoirs venture outside of Darwin, however, Mr Fairley was seen as a strong supporter of the project.

Whether or not a change of MD and CEO will affect the outcome of the abattoirs is something to be monitored.

Welcome

Let’s add some positive stories to the mix currently circulating. We specifically list ‘work package’ awards on Gateway to allow companies to do their own follow-up. These indicate numerous awards to NT companies but do not specify the many and expanding lower tier or supply outcomes, which are almost impossible to track.

In regards to Ichthys, bear in mind the project is still well short of the anticipated peak of construction and very large contracts are either still to be awarded or in early stages. ICN is continuously feeding information to contractors that will see positive outcomes on a continual basis.

Venting frustrations by various means which often amount to illogical conclusions (JP) is fine, but ICN staff are available to advise on how a business can position itself best to be considered. Beyond that, capability, capacity and price in a tender process NOT INVOLVING THE ICN will dictate the ultimate outcomes for NT businesses.

Kevin Peters,
Chief Executive Officer

www.icnnt.org.au
As at 30 July 2013, 16,065 company registrations had been received for the Ichthys project, NT companies had received 10,334 nominations and total ANZ nominations were at 16,750. There are currently 551 packages marked as Awarded on ICN Gateway and 11 new Ichthys work packages were listed in July.

**Projects**

**Armour Energy**
Armour Energy has advised the ASX of continuous drilling at their McArthur Basin tenement. The project has a mix of conventional and unconventional reserves and given its proximity to regional mining projects will be monitored closely.

**TNG - Mount Peake**
TNG Limited lodges Notice of Intent (NOI) for its Mount Peake Vanadium-Iron Titanium Project, marking a key step in the approvals process leading towards development of the world-scale strategic metals project. Source: tngltd.com.au

**Rum Jungle Mine Rehabilitation**
The Australian Government has allocated a further $14.5 million to accelerate work on the rehabilitation of the former Rum Jungle Mine. Source: newsroom.nt.gov.au

**Darwin Corporate Park**
Stage one is currently under construction and due for completion in the second half 2014. Visit darwincorporatepark.com.au for further information

**Darwin Airport Expansion**
The construction of the bookend extensions to the terminal is well underway, with both ends of the existing terminal hoarded off in preparation for the exterior demolition and construction. DIA awarded the construction contract to Watpac. Source: ntairports.com.au

**Ichthys**

**Darwin LNG Jetty Maintenance Program**
ConocoPhillips Pipeline Australia Pty Ltd (ConocoPhillips), operator of the Darwin LNG facility, will manage a program of remedial works to ensure the ongoing integrity of the jetty pylons. The jetty remedial works program is anticipated to take approximately 24 months. This is due to the number of pylons and the need to manage works in tandem with ongoing liquefied natural gas (LNG) loading operations. Source: darwinport.nt.gov.au

**Light Industry Land Release**
Minister for Lands, Planning and the Environment, Peter Chandler, announced this month the release of about 40 hectares of light industrial land beside the Spencely Road industrial estate in Humpty Doo. The land will be made available for development through a Request for Proposal process opening soon. Source: newsroom.nt.gov.au

**NPARIH (incorporating SIHIP)**
As at 31 May 2013, work had been undertaken in over 80 communities including Town Camps and Community Living Areas. Across the Territory, 2765 refurbishments and rebuilds were complete and 12 were underway. A total of 903 new houses had been built and work was continuing on the construction of another 72. Source: housing.nt.gov.au

**Latest local awards on the Ichthys project**
Multiple onshore contractors have formally awarded a range of packages to local companies this month, including:

- Halikos Roofing
- NBC Consultants
- CAM Interiors
- OneSteel Reinforcing
- Ausurv
- Land Surveys

For more information on the contracts awarded for the Ichthys project go to www.inpex.icn.org.au

**Snip’its**

**MEO Australia** has produced another play for a giant oil field near the shores of Australia’s northwest coast. The area was put up for work program bids in May 2012 at the nomination of MEO, which then faced a 12-month wait of to see whether it had alerted any other explorers to the area’s hidden potential. energynewspremium.net

**CROCODILE Gold** Corporation has amended its reserve and resource inventory for its NT projects, with drilling at its Cosmo mine leading to an improved geological and structural understanding of the deposit. miningnewspremium.net

**WESTERN Desert Resources** has pocketed $A17.4 million in an equity raise, although the company’s shares fell more than 15% on the bourse after the placement was undertaken at a discount. The company plans to put the funds towards the continued development of its Roper Bar iron ore project in the NT. miningnewspremium.net

**SHERWIN Iron** has begun mining, crushing and screening a 200,000 tonne bulk sample at its Roper River tenement in the NT. The company advised that the first truckload was expected to leave the mine for Darwin port later this week, with initial overseas shipments by Panamax freighter due by mid-August. miningnewspremium.net
October Business Month is fast approaching and this year’s line up of speakers has now been released. Visit [obm.nt.gov.au](http://obm.nt.gov.au) for further information.

**Upcoming Events**

**NT Resources Week 2013**
10-12 September 2013 | Darwin Convention Centre


**Central Australian Business at Sunset hosted by Elders Insurance, Financial Planning & Home Loans**

**When:** August 14, 2013 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm CST

**Where:** Doubletree by Hilton Alice Springs - Spinifex Room

Please note, this is a members only event. For information on how to register a paid guest or to become a member of the Chamber of Commerce NT, please contact the Chamber of Commerce on (08) 8952 4377.

**Master Builders Northern Territory Excellence in Building and Construction Awards 2013**

*Friday 30th August | Sky City Darwin lawns*

[Click here](http://www.mbanz.com.au) for further information on the awards and to enquire about tickets.

**Importance of Accreditations**

Accreditation is a process in which a company measures its management systems against a standard to ensure that their processes are competent and suitable to produce particular outcomes. A third party audits against the official standards and provides certification to the company to demonstrate independent verification of these standards.

*Why is this important?*

Accreditations may be required when companies are looking to rely on their subcontractors or suppliers to produce work conforming to particular standards. By producing independent third party certification, a company is enabled to be benchmarked against requirements to ensure the standard is maintained throughout the supply chain.

Many companies, especially within construction, mining and oil and gas industries, require that their subcontractors or suppliers are certified to required standards prior to being able to engage them to produce goods or services.

Examples of common accreditation standards:

- ISO 14001:2004 Environmental Management System;
- AS/NZ 4801 Occupational Health & Safety Management System;
- CAL Accreditation (scheme of self regulation for the building and construction industry which is required by the Northern Territory Government)

There is government support available for small to medium enterprises to up skill their business. ICN NT would highly recommend any company engaging in the certification process to investigate their eligibility prior to commencing the process.

[Click here](http://www.icnnt.org.au) to find out more about the NT Government’s Business Growth program.

**Building stronger communities in the Northern Territory**

Infrastructure grants, totalling $2.7 million, will be invested across Town Camps in the Darwin and Palmerston area through the Yilli Rreung Housing Aboriginal Corporation, the peak body for provision of housing management and maintenance services.

- Bagot and Kulaluk will each receive $800,000 for dwelling refurbishment
- Knuckey Lagoon has $900,000 set aside a prioritised list of works currently being negotiated with the residents
- One Mile Dam will receive $150,000 for upgrades to communal and residential dwellings and upgrades to power supply.
- Palmerston will receive $40,000 to install power card metres to ensure residents are paying an equitable fee for power

Work on the Bagot and Palmerston Indigenous villages is currently underway with Kulaluk, One Mile Dam and Knuckey Lagoon anticipated to begin shortly.

*Source: newsroom.nt.gov.au*

The Northern Territory Government has proposed a new plan to get gas to Gove. The original proposal put forward by Pacific Aluminium involved the Territory giving up 25PJ of gas per year for 12 years, totalling 300PJ. Under the new model, the Territory Government would sell Pacific Aluminium 13PJ of gas per year for up to 15 years, totalling 195PJ.

*Source: newsroom.nt.gov.au*
Interested in being a showcase company? Is your business located within the Northern Territory? Have your business recently been involved in an exciting or innovative project? Or have you increased your capability in order to broaden your contracting opportunities? If so, we would like to ‘Showcase’ your business in an upcoming Newsletter. Please call or email Elena to discuss on p. 08 8922 9434 or e. elena.tsangari@icnnt.org.au

Please Note: inclusion of information in the ICN (NT) newsletter is at the discretion of ICN (NT). Contributing Showcase business will be contacted and confirmed prior to publication.

Note from the ATO

The ATO has launched a new interactive online tool for small businesses to help them self support and self assess their tax and superannuation obligations.

Try their new Small Business Assist online tool today at ato.gov.au/sba

Case Study

Work flows to water supplier in the resources sector

The resources sector is providing many opportunities for Australian companies, many of which are outside the scope of actual resource extraction.

The US$34 billion Ichthys project (the project) is a primary example of a major project that is providing many opportunities for Australian companies all across the country. The project is being developed by a Joint Venture between INPEX group companies (the Operator), major partner TOTAL group companies and the Australian subsidiaries of Tokyo Gas, Osaka Gas, Chubu Electric Power and Toho Gas.

Osmoflo, an Australian owned desalination and water recycling company is one such company that is now providing services to the project, through the assistance of ICN.

ICN knew Osmoflo well and introduced them to the project for this work package along with a number of other Australian companies.

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