

## COMMISSION DECISION

of 28 July 2008

## amending Decision 2006/784/EC as regards the authorisation of a method for grading pig carcasses in France

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(Only the French text is authentic)

(2008/677/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

(4) Decision 2006/784/EC should therefore be amended accordingly.

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

(5) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Pigmeat,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3220/84 of 13 November 1984 determining the Community scale for grading pig carcasses <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 5(2) thereof,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Whereas:

(1) Commission Decision 2006/784/EC <sup>(2)</sup> authorises seven methods for grading pig carcasses in France.*Article 1*

The Annex to Decision 2006/784/EC is hereby amended in accordance with the Annex hereto.

(2) To simplify measuring operations, France has requested the Commission to authorise the replacement of the formula used in the 'Capteur Gras/Maigre — Sydel (CGM)' method of grading pig carcasses and has presented the results of its dissection trials in the second part of the protocol provided for in Article 3(3) of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2967/85 of 24 October 1985 laying down detailed rules for the application of the Community scale for grading pig carcasses <sup>(3)</sup>.*Article 2*

This Decision is addressed to the French Republic.

(3) Examination of this request has revealed that the conditions for authorising this grading method are fulfilled.

Done at Brussels, 28 July 2008.

*For the Commission*  
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*Member of the Commission*

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 301, 20.11.1984, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 3513/93 (OJ L 320, 22.12.1993, p. 5).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 318, 17.11.2006, p. 27. Decision as last amended by Decision 2008/293/EC (OJ L 98, 10.4.2008, p. 16).

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 285, 25.10.1985, p. 39. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1197/2006 (OJ L 217, 8.8.2006, p. 6).

## ANNEX

In the Annex to Decision 2006/784/EC, Part 1 (Capteur Gras/Maigre — Sydel (CGM)), point 3 is replaced by the following:

3. The lean meat content of carcasses shall be calculated using the following formula:

$$\hat{Y} = 62,19 - 0,729 G2 + 0,144 M2$$

where:

$\hat{Y}$  = the estimated percentage of lean meat in the carcass,

G2 = the thickness of the fat (including rind), between the third and fourth last ribs, at 6 cm off the dorsal midline, at a trajectory parallel to this line (in millimetres),

M2 = the thickness of the muscle, between the third and fourth last ribs, at 6 cm off the dorsal midline, at a trajectory parallel to this line (in millimetres).

This formula shall be valid for carcasses weighing between 45 and 125 kg.'

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