



Media Release

WAMIA takes full control of operations at Muchea Livestock Centre

The Western Australian Meat Industry Authority (“WAMIA”), is delighted to announce that from 1 July 2016, the provision of animal handling and sale administration services at the Muchea Livestock Centre (“MLC”) and sale administration services for South West saleyards will now be provided by WAMIA.

These services are currently provided by Livestock Logistics Western Australia (LLWA) which is a joint venture between Elders, Landmark and WAMIA. LLWA has been in operation since 1999 providing services at MLC and its predecessor, the Midland Saleyards, as well as a number of South West saleyards.

This major change is designed to streamline operations at the MLC and improve confidence in the operation of the Centre. It aligns operation of MLC with its ownership and provides clarity around roles and responsibilities for all parties. WAMIA is confident that the change will benefit livestock producers, buyers and agents through increased trust and confidence in the smooth operation of the MLC.

When asked about the change, the Minister for Agriculture, the Honourable Dean Nalder MLA, said *“Over the last 12 months, operational and financial performance at the Muchea Livestock Centre have improved significantly due to key staff changes and improved governance by the Western Australian Meat Industry Authority. I commend the WAMIA Board for taking the decisive action this change represents in resolving the ongoing lack of clarity around the roles and responsibilities at the Centre”*

This change has only been made after extensive consultation with all key stakeholders, particularly the partners in LLWA.

The fees charged for services provided by LLWA will remain unchanged with WAMIA charging the same amount for the same services as was previously charged by LLWA.

There will not be any job losses as a result of this change, with WAMIA taking responsibility for all existing LLWA staff.



Muchea Livestock Centre is the largest dual species undercover livestock selling facility in Australia. It aims to:-

- Increase vendor returns
- Attract the maximum number of buyers and sellers
- Employ best practice animal welfare, environmental and occupational health and safety .

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