

**APPENDIX FIVE**

**THE NOJDP MID-TERM REVIEW  
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### Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference are as follows:

1. Using the NOJDP objectives as a basis,
  - (a) Examine the Budgets provided by the states against reported actual activity for each of the preceding financial years and assess the effectiveness of the processes used in working towards achieving the objectives;
  - (b) Scrutinise the effectiveness of funding arrangements including the agreed budgets and split of funding between the Parties and examine the use and application of Assistance Measures;
  - (c) Investigate the uniformity of application and adherence to the OJD Standard Definitions and Rules by the states;
  - (d) Examine the effectiveness of the management arrangements, including the roles of Animal Health Australia, MLA, the Operations Coordinator, the State Coordinators, the Program Management Committee and any other supporting committees, groups or organisations; and
  - (e) Examine the direction and management of the research and development program and advise whether the agreed program of research is being implemented in an expeditious manner.
2. Examine in light of progress and any new developments to date whether the existing NOJDP objectives, policies and program remain relevant, achievable and supported by stakeholders by:
  - (a) Taking into account relevant reviews and inquiries;
  - (b) Interviews with representatives of the Parties as well as the State Coordinators, Meat and Livestock Australia, sheep owners and managers, abattoir owners and managers, sheep industry organisations, Animal Health Australia personnel and contracted Coordinators, Veterinary Committee and any other persons or groups deemed relevant;
3. Identify clear milestones for national decision making regarding ovine Johne's disease; and
4. Investigate and report on the need for a further period of evaluation and control for OJD from 1 August 2001 until 31 July 2004;
5. Provide a report to Animal Health Australia within 3 months of commencement, with recommendations on key issues, any proposed changes to arrangements including future options for the management of OJD (including required variations to the Deed of Agreement) for the remainder of the NOJDP.

