Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Poultry Production and Trade in the Republic of South Africa: a Look at Alternative Trade Policy Scenarios

Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB, TB, SOR,)

[ ] Influential Scientific Information

[ ] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

Agency: Economic Research Service USDA

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Subject of Review: In the past 20 years, the Republic of South Africa has seen a dramatic rise in demand for poultry, in part driven by rising incomes. But domestic output has not kept pace with demand, and imports have been rising. In an effort to reduce the flow of imports, the South African Government imposed anti-dumping duties on U.S. chicken leg quarters in 2000. Prior to that the United States was the largest supplier of bone-in chicken legs; following the imposition of the duties, U.S. exports to South Africa fell almost to zero. This study uses the USDA Baseline Model combined with an Armington-Cline spreadsheet-based model to analyze the impact of the removal of the anti-dumping duty. Findings suggest that if the duty on U.S. poultry were lowered to the Most Favored Nation (MFN) level, South Africa would import close to 71,000 tons of U.S. chicken legs, with only a small negative impact on the South African poultry industry.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: [ ] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers

[ ] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 11/09/15 End: 02/09/16 Completed: 02/09/16

Number of Reviewers: [ ] 3 or fewer [X] 4 to 10 [ ] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [ ] Designated Outside Organization

Organization’s Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? [ ] Yes [X] No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? [ ] Yes [X] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [ ] Yes [X] No