### Peer Review Plan

**Preliminary Title:** Trade Performance in U.S. Meat, Poultry, and Dairy Exports

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

| [X] | Influential Scientific Information |

**Agency:** Economic Research Service  
**USDA**  
[[ ] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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**Subject of Review:**  
The emergence of new suppliers of animal products, new and amended trade agreements, changes in consumer preferences, and growth in numbers of consumers in developing markets have influenced the trade performance of U.S. agricultural commodities over the past two decades. Exports represent a significant market for U.S. animal agricultural industries and products, with global market volatility and competition directly impacting U.S. producers. The purpose of this study is to determine the export competitiveness of U.S. meat and poultry exports, relative to major competitors. We conduct an overview analysis of global animal product trade and U.S. competitiveness in aggregate meat and dairy trade, identifying key competitors, markets, and trade events, barriers, and agreements. Then, we analyze export competitiveness of 4 major livestock products using trade indices and export shares. We also identify influential market and trade events and trade agreements that have impacted the U.S. position in each commodity market. This report contributes to the understanding of how global changes have impacted different livestock commodities, as opposed to aggregate effects on the agricultural sector.

**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: 3/17/2022 |
| Completed: --/--/--- |
| Withdrawn: --/--/---- |

**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