

Annex 5: Fast Track Actions for Reducing Administrative Burdens presented in 2007 – State of Play as of 31 December 2008

Areas	Change pursued	Proposal	Status
Executive measures			
Energy crops Commission regulation 1973/2004.	Reduce reporting obligation for farmers		Adopted. Regulation 270/2007 of 13/03/2007
Export Refunds for agricultural products Commission regulation 800/1999.	Ease the requirements concerning the documentary proof to be delivered by operators in order to receive export refunds for exporting certain agricultural products.		Adopted. Regulation 1001/2007 of 29/08/2007
Statistics on the information society Regulation 808/2004.	Simplify ordinary and sector questionnaire in annual Commission Regulation, thus easing the administrative burdens for respondents.		Adopted. Regulation 847/2007 of 18/07/2007
Hygiene on fishing vessels Regulation 853/2004.	Remove unnecessary requirements for small fishing vessels.		Adopted. Regulation 1243/2007 of 24/10/2007
“Omnibus” package			
Company law Directives 78/855 and 82/891.	Remove the requirement of drawing up an independent expert report in the case of a merger or a division if all shareholders renounce to it.	Proposal adopted on 7/03. COM (2007) 91.	Adopted. Directive 2007/63/EC of 13/11/2007
Transport documents Regulation no. 11.	Remove outdated requirements (from 1960) to provide a series of information on tariffs, agreements, price deals and transport when transporting goods across national borders within the EU.	Proposal adopted on 7/03. COM (2007) 90.	Adopted. Council Regulation 569/2008 of 13/6/2008
HACCP (Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point), food hygiene Regulation 852/2004.	Exempt micro-enterprises from certain HACCP requirements, thereby not imposing the same burdens on small bakers, grocery shops, market stalls etc. as on large supermarkets.	Proposal adopted on 7/03. COM (2007) 90.	Blocked in Council (COREPER on 7/5/2008)
Stand-alone proposals			
Statistics on farmers Directives 93/23, 93/24 and 93/25.	Simplify and reduce the frequency of agricultural statistics to once a year for surveys in member states with pig populations smaller than 3 million heads and cattle population smaller than 1.5 million heads.	Proposal adopted on 22/03. COM (2007) 129	Adopted. Regulation 1165/2008 of the EP and Council of 19/11/2008
Road haulage Directive 96/26.	Introduce electronic register to enhance exchange of data and a simplified and standardized format for the Community licence, certified copies and the driver attestation.	Proposal adopted on 23/05. COM (2007) 263 and COM (2007) 265	European Parliament: 1 st reading on 20/05/08. Council: political agreement at Transport Council on 13/6/2008.
Dangerous goods Directive 96/35.	Simplify the administrative procedures both for public authorities (EU or national) and for private bodies.	Proposal adopted. COM (2006) 852	Adopted. Directive 2008/68/EC of 24/09/2008