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*Furnish this exhibit for EACH foreign principal listed in an initial statement
and for EACH additional foreign principal acquired subsequently.*

1. Name and address of registrant Blank Rome LLP 600 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20037	2. Registration No. 4929
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3. Name of foreign principal Meat Industry Association of New Zealand (Inc.)	4. Principal address of foreign principal Level 13, Pricewaterhouse Coopers Building 113 - 119 The Terrace, P. O. Box 345 Wellington 6140, New Zealand
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5. Indicate whether your foreign principal is one of the following:

- Foreign government
- Foreign political party
- Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:
 - Partnership
 - Corporation
 - Association
 - Committee
 - Voluntary group
 - Other (specify): _____
- Individual-State nationality _____

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6. If the foreign principal is a foreign government, state:

a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant.

N/A

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals.

7. If the foreign principal is a foreign political party, state:

a) Principal address.

N/A

b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals.

c) Principal aim.

8. If the foreign principal is not a foreign government or a foreign political party,

a) State the nature of the business or activity of this foreign principal

A voluntary trade association representing New Zealand meat processors, marketers and exporters that supply the majority of New Zealand meat exports.

b) Is this foreign principal

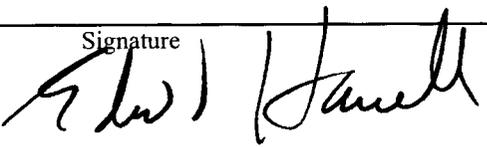
Supervised by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Owned by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Directed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Financed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Subsidized in part by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

9. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 8(b). (If additional space is needed, a full insert page must be used.)

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ORGANIZATION INFORMATION UNIT

10. If the foreign principal is an organization and is not owned or controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party or other foreign principal, state who owns and controls it.

Meat Industry Association of New Zealand (Inc.) is a not-for-profit owned by its members, governed by a Council of 9 member's executives, with an independent chair.

Date of Exhibit A	Name and Title	Signature
11/14/2007	Edward J. Farrell Partner	

INSTRUCTIONS: A registrant must furnish as an Exhibit B copies of each written agreement and the terms and conditions of each oral agreement with his foreign principal, including all modifications of such agreements, or, where no contract exists, a full statement of all the circumstances by reason of which the registrant is acting as an agent of a foreign principal. One original and two legible photocopies of this form shall be filed for each foreign principal named in the registration statement and must be signed by or on behalf of the registrant.

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1. Name of Registrant Blank Rome LLP	2. Registration No. 4929
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3. Name of Foreign Principal

Meat Industry Association of New Zealand (Inc.)

Check Appropriate Boxes:

4. The agreement between the registrant and the above-named foreign principal is a formal written contract. If this box is checked, attach a copy of the contract to this exhibit.
5. There is no formal written contract between the registrant and the foreign principal. The agreement with the above-named foreign principal has resulted from an exchange of correspondence. If this box is checked, attach a copy of all pertinent correspondence, including a copy of any initial proposal which has been adopted by reference in such correspondence.
6. The agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal is the result of neither a formal written contract nor an exchange of correspondence between the parties. If this box is checked, give a complete description below of the terms and conditions of the oral agreement or understanding, its duration, the fees and expenses, if any, to be received.

7. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.
Provide advice to client and act as liaison with USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service with respect to New Zealand food safety protocols, particularly as concerns E.coli 0157:H7 testing and incidence.

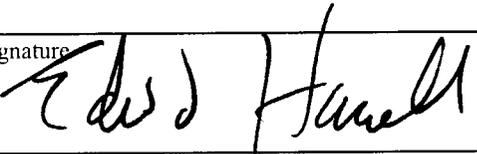
8. Describe fully the activities the registrant engages in or proposes to engage in on behalf of the above foreign principal.

See 7 above

9. Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act and in the footnote below? Yes No

If yes, describe all such political activities indicating, among other things, the relations, interests or policies to be influenced together with the means to be employed to achieve this purpose.

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Date of Exhibit B 11/14/2007	Name and Title Edward J. Farrell Partner	Signature 
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Footnote: Political activity as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act means any activity which the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting, or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

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November 7, 2007

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COMMUNICATIONS UNIT

Dear Caryll,

Re: Representing the Meat Industry Association of New Zealand (Inc.)

We look forward to representing the Meat Industry Association of New Zealand (Inc.) in connection with food safety inspection requirements. We are pleased that you have selected us.

The terms of this engagement letter and the attached Addendum will govern our representation of you. Upon the completion of our services with respect to this matter or transaction, we hope that you will choose to engage our firm to perform additional services for you. Absent an express written agreement to the contrary, the terms of our engagement set forth in this letter and the Addendum will apply to this matter and to other matters which we agree to undertake on your behalf. The terms of this engagement as provided in this letter and Addendum may only be modified in writing signed by a partner of our firm.

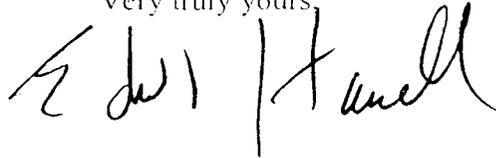
Unless otherwise agreed with us in writing, our fees will be based on the time devoted to this matter by each attorney, law clerk, reference librarian, paralegal and other legal assistants at their respective hourly rates in effect at the time the services are performed. The hourly rates, which are subject to periodic review and adjustment, are based on such considerations as the skill requisite to perform the particular services properly, the likelihood that the acceptance of the particular employment will preclude other employment by the firm or the lawyers in question, the experience, and the reputation and ability of the lawyers performing the services. The current hourly rates for those persons who are likely to work on your matters are: Edward J. Farrell, hourly rate: \$595; and Roberta K. Dagher, hourly rate: \$440. Other or different personnel may work on your matter, as well. The current hourly rates for other firm personnel range from \$245.00 to \$475.00 for associates, and \$105.00 to \$280.00 for paralegals, clerks and librarians.

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Please review the terms of this engagement letter carefully, as well as the terms set forth in the attached "Addendum." If you have any questions about them, please give us a prompt call. Unless we hear from you to the contrary, we will assume you have agreed to the terms of this engagement letter.

On behalf of Blank Rome LLP, I thank you for the privilege of representing you and look forward to serving your interests.

Very truly yours,



Edward J. Farrell

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ADDENDUM TO ENGAGEMENT LETTER

The policies and practices set forth below apply to our engagement as your counsel:

1. Scope of Representation.

Unless otherwise agreed to in writing or we specifically undertake such additional representation at your request, we represent only the client named in the engagement letter and not its parent, affiliates, subsidiaries, partners, joint venturers, employees, directors, officers, shareholders, members, owners, agencies, departments or divisions. If our engagement is limited to a specific matter or transaction, and we are not engaged to represent you in other matters, our attorney-client relationship will terminate upon the completion of our services with respect to such matter or transaction whether or not we send you a letter to confirm the termination of our representation.

2. Fees.

Hourly rates are subject to periodic review and adjustment. Unless otherwise agreed by us in writing our fees will be based on the hourly rates in effect at the time the services are rendered.

Although we may from time to time for a client's convenience furnish estimates of fees or charges that we anticipate will be incurred on a client's behalf, these estimates are subject to unforeseen circumstances and are by their nature inexact. We will not be bound by any estimates except as otherwise expressly agreed to by us in writing. Furthermore, unless specifically agreed to by us in writing, your obligation to pay our fees and costs incurred in connection with the representation is not contingent upon our achieving any particular result.

Absent a written agreement to the contrary, each client named in the engagement letter is jointly and severally liable for all fees and disbursements.

3. Disbursements and Other Charges.

In addition to our fees, we will be entitled to payment or reimbursement for disbursements and other charges incurred in performing services such as photocopying, messenger and delivery, overnight delivery and air freight, computerized research, videotape recording, travel (including mileage, parking, air fare, lodging, meals, and ground transportation), long distance telephone, telecopying, word processing in special circumstances, court costs, and filing fees. To the extent we directly provide any of these services, we reserve the right to adjust the amount we charge at any time or from time to time, and the charge will approximate our cost. Unless special arrangements are made, fees and expenses of consultants and professionals (such as experts, investigators, witnesses, and court reporters) and other large disbursements will not be paid by our firm and will be the responsibility of, and billed directly to, you or you will be asked to advance to us an estimate of those costs.

4. Conflicts of Interest.

It is unavoidable that from time to time conflicts of interest develop between or among our clients, or between clients, or former clients, and prospective clients we wish to represent. In these situations, we are required, if we are authorized to do so, to disclose the conflicts to our clients, former clients and prospective clients and consult with them and to obtain the clients' or former clients' consents before we may proceed. We wish to confirm that you agree that you will promptly and in good faith consider our requests for a consent.

5. Termination.

You shall have the right at any time to terminate our services and representation upon written notice. Such termination shall not, however, relieve you of the obligation to pay for all services rendered and disbursements and other charges made or incurred on your behalf prior to the date of termination.

We reserve the right upon reasonable notice to cease performing work and to withdraw from the representation (a) with your consent, (b) for good cause, or (c) for any other reason permitted by law. Good cause may include your failure to honor the terms of the engagement letter, your failure to pay amounts billed in a timely manner, your failure to furnish deposits for fees and costs or to otherwise provide a requested advance for fees and costs, or any fact or circumstance that would, in our view, impair an effective attorney-client relationship or would render our continuing representation unlawful, unethical or unreasonably burdensome. If we elect to do so, you must take all steps necessary to free us of any obligation to perform further, including the execution of any documents (including forms for substitution of counsel) necessary to complete our withdrawal, and we will be entitled to be paid for all services rendered and disbursements and other charges made or incurred on your behalf prior to the date of withdrawal.

6. Record Retention.

At the conclusion of a matter we often undertake to review the file and discard extra copies of documents and send the balance of the file on that matter to an offsite facility for storage at our expense, unless a client requests us to deliver the files to it. To minimize the file storage expense, we reserve the right, subject to your contrary direction, to retain files for only five years and to destroy all older files to the extent practicable; provided that estate planning files and trademark and patent files are retained, and we use our reasonable efforts to review old files and retain original legal instruments such as notes, leases, mortgages, deeds, stock certificates, marital equitable distribution agreements and other items of obvious value. If you wish to handle the disposition of files in a different manner, please let us know. Otherwise, we will proceed as set forth above.

7. Electronic Mail and Other Communications.

In the course of our representation of you, we have a duty to preserve the confidentiality of our communications with you and other information relating to the representation. However, you and we need to recognize that all means of communication are, to some degree, susceptible to misdirection, delay or interception. E-mail and cellular telephone

communications present special risks of inadvertent disclosure. However, because of the countervailing speed, efficiency, and convenience of these methods of communication, we have adopted them as part of the normal course of our operations. Unless you instruct us to the contrary, we will assume that you consent to our use of e-mail and cell phone communications in representing you.

8. Insurance.

You agree to determine whether any insurance coverage is or may be available with respect to the subject matter of the engagement and to provide notice to any insurer that may provide coverage. If an insurer pays any portion of our charges, you agree that you will remain responsible for payment of any amounts billed by us but not paid by the insurer, unless we have agreed otherwise in writing.

9. Written Advices Regarding Federal Tax Issues.

Whenever we provide you with written advice concerning the Federal tax treatment of an item of income, gain, loss, deduction or credit, the existence or absence of a taxable transfer of property, or the value of property for Federal tax purposes, we are subject to stringent requirements imposed by the United States Treasury Department on all tax practitioners, including attorneys. These rules cover much more than formal legal opinions and may apply to any writing relating to any Internal Revenue Code matter, including communications via e-mail and fax. *If we fail to comply with these rules, we may (under certain circumstances) be suspended or disbarred from practice before the Internal Revenue Service, be publicly censured or fined (to the extent that the Secretary of Treasury promulgates regulations requiring any such fines or penalties).* Therefore, if during the course of this engagement, we provide written advice regarding any arrangement the principal purpose of which is the avoidance or evasion of any tax imposed by the Internal Revenue Code, such writing must comply with the rigorous standards of review and disclosure (including enhanced factual and legal due diligence) which are now required by the Treasury Department. If tax avoidance is not the principal purpose of an arrangement but is a significant purpose, our written advice must also adhere to the same rules, unless we include a prominent disclosure stating that the writing was not intended or written by us to be used, and it cannot be used by you or anyone else for the purpose of avoiding taxpayer penalties. It is for this reason that certain written communications to you, including emails and faxes, will contain the following disclosure statement: **“Any Federal tax advice contained herein is not intended or written to be used, and cannot be used by you or any other person, for the purpose of avoiding any penalties that may be imposed by the Internal Revenue Code. This disclosure is made in accordance with the rules of Treasury Department Circular 230 governing standards of practice before the Internal Revenue Service. Any written statement contained herein relating to any Federal tax transaction or matter may not be used by any person without our express prior written permission to support the promotion or marketing of or to recommend any Federal tax transaction(s) or matter(s) addressed herein. No advice contained herein may be relied upon or utilized by any person for any purpose except as expressly and affirmatively stated herein without the prior written consent in each instance of a partner of this firm.”**