

Milk and/or Dairy Products (Bovine Origin) – for Human Consumption  
Export to Mexico

The certification statements which appear below must appear in the Additional Declaration section of the VS form 16-4. These statements can be made on the basis of a notarized affidavit with appropriate supporting documentation for certification that the product is “approved for human consumption.” Additional certification statements may be included as required by the “Hoja de Requisitos Sanitarios” (HRZ) issued by the government of Mexico for a specific product. Exporters claiming that additional certification statements are required should provide the endorsing APHIS official with a copy of the HRZ and an English translation. An import permit issued by the Ministry of Health is generally required as well as evidence of compliance with additional testing or other requirements stipulated in the import permit.

“This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the following statements:

*Esta oficina cuenta en su expediente con una declaración notariada de [nombre de la compañía] que verifica la exactitud de las siguientes declaraciones:*

1. Dairy ingredients proceed from the country indicated in this document of origin or were legally imported. *Los ingredientes lácteos proceden del país indicado en este documento como origen o se importaron legalmente.*
2. The products are approved for human consumption.<sup>1</sup> *Los productos están aprobados para consumo humano.*
3. The products were manufactured under official control in a facility approved by a competent authority in the United States. *Los productos fueron elaborados bajo control oficial en instalaciones aprobadas por una autoridad competente en los Estados Unidos.*
4. In the manufacturing of the product, no proteins of ruminant origin, except milk and milk proteins, were used. *En la elaboración del producto no se utilizaron proteínas de origen rumiante, excepto leche y proteínas de leche.*

<sup>1</sup>This statement is required by the government of Mexico for all dairy products intended for human consumption. It can only be endorsed by APHIS, if the exporter provides supporting documentation from a competent public health authority such as the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), a State government agency or a Dairy Board verifying that the products are approved for human consumption. Please note that documentation that a product is freely sold in the United States is not sufficient for this certification.