Animal Feed and Feed Supplements of Animal Origin

I. Requirement for Russian import permit:

Prior to endorsement of the "VETERINARY CERTIFICATE for import of fodder and fodder supplements of animal origin," the exporter will need to provide a copy of a valid import permit (and translation) from the importer in the Russian Federation indicating that this certificate is the appropriate one.

II. Inspection and Required Laboratory Reports:

In addition to the pertinent annual inspection by Veterinary Services to verify the content of the "VETERINARY CERTIFICATE for import of fodder and fodder supplements of animal origin", the exporter must present to VS with the certificate, for each lot of material listed on the certificate, laboratory results corresponding with the following criteria. The date on the latest total plate count laboratory report must correspond with the date noted in the applicable section of the certificate (top of page 3). These reports do not become part of the certificate and are not endorsed by APHIS.

Test	Result
Salmonella spp.	None detected
Enterobacteriaceae spp.	None detected or <10 cfu/gram
Total plate count	<= 500,000 cfu/gram
Botulin toxin	None detected

In addition, one of the following reports per lot is also required:

Test	Result
Clostridium spp.	None detected
Clostridium botulinum and Clostridium perfringens	Negative
Anaerobic plate culture	Negative (no growth)

III. Important alert regarding requirement for second signature and seal:

Effective December 2013, with the concurrence of Russian authorities, the following paragraph of the certificate was modified follows: [the change in noted here in blue]:

При производстве данных кормов не использовались белки, полученные от жвачных животных, (кроме молочного белка).

Feed produced with protein of ruminant origin (other than dairy) was not used in production.

Inspectors at the Russian border require that this paragraph be signed and sealed (colorless crimping) by the APHIS Veterinary Medical Officer endorsing the certificate. **Exporters should verify upon receipt of the endorsed certificate, prior to endorsement, that this paragraph was signed and sealed by the APHIS signatory.**