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**SUBJECT:** Extension of Dating for Erysipelothrix Rhusiopathiae Bacterin,  
IRP 529(05)

**I. PURPOSE**

This notice informs interested parties that the Center for Veterinary Biologics is extending the dating of Erysipelothrix Rhusiopathiae Bacterin, IRP 529(05) until April 30, 2014.

**II. BACKGROUND**

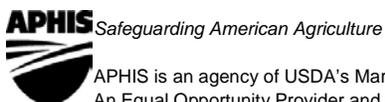
This reagent is used in potency testing products containing a Erysipelothrix Rhusiopathiae fraction. The test is codified in Title 9, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 113.119 and detailed in Supplemental Assay Method 611. For the codified test, mice are vaccinated with a test bacterin and the reference bacterin. The mice are then challenged with a standard dose of virulent *E. rhusiopathiae* 14 to 21 days after vaccination. The Center for Veterinary Biologics supplies this standard reference bacterin for use by our laboratory and industry. A replacement lot is currently being validated for use.

**II. ACTION**

The expiration date for Erysipelothrix Rhusiopathiae Bacterin, IRP 529(05) is extended until April 30, 2014, as it has not shown significant degradation.

**IV. IMPLEMENTATION/ APPLICABILITY**

The extension of dating is considered effective immediately. When the validation testing of the replacement lot is completed, additional guidance on standard reference lots will be supplied.



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