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## CENTER FOR VETERINARY BIOLOGICS NOTICE NO. 16-12

**TO:** Biologics Licensees, Permittees, and Applicants  
Directors, Center for Veterinary Biologics  
Veterinary Services Leadership Team

**FROM:** Byron E. Rippke  
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**SUBJECT:** Name Change for Biologicals Containing *Haemophilus paragallinarum*,  
*Babesia equi*, and *Ehrlichia risticii*

### I. PURPOSE

This Notice informs licensees, permittees, and applicants of a change in the True Names of products containing *Haemophilus paragallinarum*, *Babesia equi*, and *Ehrlichia risticii*.

### II. BACKGROUND

The following agents have been renamed as a result of taxonomic investigations. It is CVB policy to use standard nomenclature; products containing the following fractions have been renamed as follows:

*Haemophilus paragallinarum* has been renamed *Avibacterium paragallinarum*.

*Babesia equi* has been renamed *Theileria equi*.

*Ehrlichia risticii* has been renamed *Neorickettsia risticii*.

### III. ACTION (or POLICY)

All licenses issued subsequent to July 30, 2016, for products containing the above-named fractions will have the new nomenclature.

### IV. IMPLEMENTATION/ APPLICABILITY

For currently licensed products, Outlines of Production and labelling should be revised no later than July 30, 2018. If desired, labels may use both genus names [i.e., *Avibacterium* (*Haemophilus*) *Paragallinarum*] for a period not to exceed 2 years.

The CVB will issue a new license within 60 days; it is not necessary for the firm to make a submission.

V. REFERENCES

Blacknall, PJ, et al., International Journal of Systematic and Evolutionary Microbiology (2005), 55, 353–362 (*Avibacterium paragallinarum*)

Melhorn H, Schein H, Parasitology Research (1998) 84(6), 476-75 (*Theileria equi*)

Dumler JS, et al., International Journal of Systematic and Evolutionary Microbiology (2001), 51, 2145-2165 (*Neorickettsia risticii*)