Culture media for export to Colombia  
(Bilingual version pending)

The certification statements provided below are for the export to Colombia of culture media containing animal products. These statements should be made in the Additional Declaration section on a VS Form 16-4, Export Certificate for Animal Products, and VS Form 16-4a continuation page as needed. Product description (product box on VS Form 16-4) should include the species of origin for all animal origin ingredients, as well as the nature of the product.

Please note that the product must be labeled properly including product name, lot number, net weight and packing date.

The certificates issued by the exporting country must be written in the native language and also in Spanish. If a translation is required, this must be done by an entity or by an officially accredited person.

Any noncompliance with the requirements of Colombia and with the conditions attested in the official certificate will result in a rejection of the product for entry into Colombia.

Certification statements

The United States has an active BSE surveillance program that meets or exceeds international standards established by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE). / Los Estados Unidos tiene un programa activo de vigilancia de EEB que cumple o excede los estándares internacionales establecidos por la Organización Mundial de Sanidad Animal (OIE).

The feeding of ruminants with meat, bone meal and cracklings from ruminant origin is prohibited in the United States and this ban has been effectively implemented.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below. / Esta oficina tiene en sus archivos una declaración juramentada de [nombre de la compañía] certificando la veracidad de las afirmaciones enunciadas a continuación:

1. The peptone product was made from meat products that originated from slaughter or processing plants operating that are under the supervision of or that are certified equivalent to the USDA Food Safety Inspection Service. The slaughter plant of origin for the meat product ingredients has implemented HACCP (hazard analysis and critical control points) designed to exclude BSE specified risk materials as required by the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code.

   (Certify appropriately pertaining to bovine origin ingredients.)

2. [The peptone product does not contain bovine origin ingredients.] [The peptone product was manufactured from ingredients derived from cattle that were not subjected to a stunning process prior to slaughter with a device injecting compressed air or gas into cranial cavity or to a pithing process and that received ante- and postmortem inspection by the official food inspection service.]

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3. The peptone product was packed in new and sealed containers, and labeled in accordance with the requirement of Colombia.