 IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD FOR THE IMPORTATION OF SPECIFIED PORCINE ENZYMES INTO NEW ZEALAND FROM CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

1. IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD

Pursuant to section 22 of the Biosecurity Act 1993, this document is the import health standard for the importation of specified porcine enzymes into New Zealand from Canada and the United States of America.

2. PERMIT TO IMPORT

2.1 A permit to import is not required for the importation of specified porcine enzymes into New Zealand from Canada and the United States of America.

2.2 Authorization, in the form of biosecurity clearance, for the importation of porcine enzymes into New Zealand from Canada and the United States of America will be given at the border after verification that the conditions within this import health standard have been met by the importer.

3. INFORMATION TO BE SUPPLIED BY IMPORTER

The importer shall supply the following information:

3.1 name and address of exporter;

3.2 name and address of manufacturer;

3.3 description and type of product;

3.4 official number of premises (for meat/meat by-products);

3.5 the country of origin of the pigs;

3.6 the country of origin of the products.

4. REVIEW OF IMPORT HEALTH STANDARD

The import health standard may be reviewed and amended if there are changes in New Zealand's import policy, or the animal health status of the originating country, or for any other reason, at the discretion of the Chief Veterinary Officer.

5. DEFINITION OF TERMS
country of origin of the pigs: shall be the country in which the pigs from which the enzymes exported to New Zealand are derived were born, raised and slaughtered.

country of origin of the products: shall be the country in which the enzymes exported to New Zealand have been manufactured.

6. DOCUMENTATION ACCOMPANYING THE CONSIGNMENT

6.1 A copy of the import health standard, together with all the required information and certification, which must be in English, must accompany the consignment to New Zealand.

6.2 The required Health Certificate must be original and relate directly to the particular consignment being imported on each occasion. Please note that the consignment will not be acceptable for entry to New Zealand if copies of the required certification are presented for clearance.

7. IMPORTER’S RESPONSIBILITIES

7.1 All costs associated with the importation, which include testing, treatment, transport, servicing and veterinary certification must be borne by the importer.

7.2 Please note that commercial consignments of products imported into New Zealand for human consumption must comply with the Food Regulations (1984) of New Zealand. Importers are advised to contact the New Zealand Ministry of Health if in doubt whether or not imported foods are eligible for sale within New Zealand.

8. ELIGIBILITY FOR IMPORTATION

8.1 The following products are eligible for importation to New Zealand:

lipase
pepsin
pancreatin
trypsin

8.2 The product is commercially packaged and hermetically sealed.

8.3 The country of origin of the pigs and the country of origin of the products are either USA or Canada.

9. MANUFACTURER’S DECLARATION

Every consignment must be accompanied by a declaration from the manufacturer which states that:
9.1 The product was derived from pigs born, raised and slaughtered in:

EITHER 9.1.1 the United States of America;

OR 9.1.2 Canada.

9.2 The product was derived from pigs which passed veterinary ante-mortem and post-mortem inspection.

9.3 The product was derived from pigs processed in meat packing premises inspected by and registered with the government veterinary authority of the country of origin of the pigs.

10. HEALTH CERTIFICATION

10.1 Every consignment must be accompanied by a certificate issued by an official government veterinary officer of the country of origin of the pigs which states that:

10.1.1 African swine fever, foot and mouth disease, hog cholera (classical swine fever), rinderpest, and swine vesicular disease has not occurred in the country of origin of the pigs during the twelve months prior to the date of departure of the product for New Zealand.

10.2 Every consignment must be accompanied by a certificate issued by an official government veterinary officer of the country of origin of the products which states that:

10.2.1 The contents of the manufacturer's declaration has been explained to the manufacturer, and after examination of all the relevant records I have no reason to doubt the veracity of the manufacturer's declaration.

11. BIOSECURITY CLEARANCE

A Biosecurity Clearance will be issued provided the documentation is in order.