Non-Fat Dry Milk

Russia has requirements for the import of dairy products that cannot be certified by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) continues to work with the Agricultural Marketing Service, the Food and Drug Administration, and other U.S. government agencies to reach agreement with the Russian Federation upon a bilaterally acceptable certificate.

We do not believe Russia is still accepting the below certificate. This certificate is a modified version of one that was agreed with Russia prior to notification by Russia of new requirements. Because of changes in the U.S. disease status since original agreement, APHIS cannot endorse the exact certificate that was agreed with the Russian Federation at that time.

Because Russia has not formally notified us that consignments accompanied by this certificate will be rejected, APHIS may endorse it under certain circumstances. Because this certificate does not technically meet the Russian import requirements and we do not think Russia will accept it, APHIS strongly advises against export.

Prior to endorsement of the below certificate:

- The certificate must be prepared and verified consistent with APHIS policies; and
- Verification must be provided that the exporter acknowledges that they have been advised by APHIS that the certificate does not meet the entry requirements of the Russian Federation as we understand them. This verification should include the following statements on exporter company letterhead:

  I have been advised by APHIS that this shipment of _____________________ (commodity name) is unlikely to be allowed entry into the Russian Federation, and that it is unlikely the USG will be able to obtain release of the shipment. APHIS has advised me that the certificate we are requesting endorsement of does not meet the requirements of the Russian Federation as APHIS understands them. APHIS has advised me that the shipment may have to be destroyed or returned to the United States at my expense. I understand that if APHIS signs the export certificate for this commodity, I am shipping at my own risk against the advice of APHIS. I understand that APHIS will not be able to endorse any additional documentation for this product. I am authorized to represent _____________________ (name of exporting company) in this manner.

Special note for endorsement of the certificate: If the certificate is endorsed after verification of the above criteria, the signatory must initial where the BSE-related statement is lined out.
VETERINARY CERTIFICATE
FOR NON-FAT DRY MILK, DERIVED FROM THE
CATTLE, EXPORTED INTO THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Exporting country:  The United States (USA)

Competent authority:  Ministry of Agriculture

Establishment issuing this certificate:  

Administrative-territorial unit:  

1. Identification of products:

   Name of products
   Number of packages
   Net weight

Name (No.) And address of the establishment, approved by the Government Veterinary Service:

2. Kind of package

3. Identification marks

4. Conditions of storing and transportation (temperature, etc.)
5. Information about destination:

Countries of transit ______________________________________________

Point into Russia _______________________________________________

Name and address of consignee ________________________________

________________________________________________________________

Means of transport _____________________________________________

(Specify the flight number, name of the ship)

6. Certificate on the fitness of the goods for the consumption:

Herewith it is certified that:

Milk was received from the clinical healthy cattle. Milk products were received at the dairy plants, which fulfill the necessary veterinary sanitary requirements and are under permanent control of the Government Veterinary Service of the USA. Milk and milk products originate from the premises and localities free from infectious animal diseases, including:

- bovine spongiform encephalopathy - during last 5 years on the whole territory of the country;
- African swine fever - during last 3 years on the whole territory of the country;
- rinderpest, foot-and-mouth disease, infectious pleuropneumoniae - during the last 12 months on the whole territory of the country;
- vesicular stomatitis - The fluid milk from which the non-fat dry milk was derived came from dairy cattle free from clinical vesicular stomatitis;
- brucellosis and tuberculosis - The fluid milk, from which non-fat dry milk was derived, came from cattle free of clinical brucellosis and tuberculosis and was pasteurized at a minimum of 71.7 degrees for 15 seconds;
- brucellosis (B.melitensis) - during the last 2 years in the premise;
- sheep pox and goat pox - during the last 6 months in the premise;
- anthrax - during the last 20 days in the premise.

The animals for export have not had access to feed or feed supplements derived from internal organs and tissues of ruminants from any country affected by BSE.

Milk does not contain harmful residues of the following compounds: natural or synthetical estrogenic or hormonal substances, thyreostatics, antibiotics, or tranquilizers.

Milk products have no changes in organoleptic indices.

Means of transport for meat transportation are treated and prepared in accordance with the rules approved in the USA.

Made on ____________________________ 20_________

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Official veterinarian (title, name)

Signature ____________________________

Stamp: