

Special Requirement for the Registration of Animal Origin Feed Products for Export to Brazil

The government of Brazil requires that facilities producing feedstuffs for export to Brazil, such as any feeds, feed supplements, pet foods, and nutritional supplements containing animal-origin ingredients, must register their products with MAPA, Brazil's Animal Health authority. This registration may be valid for up to 5 years, according to Normative Instruction # 15 from May 26, 2009.

The product registration process for animal origin feed products requires evidence that the product and the manufacturing company are authorized in the United States to market this product. A part of this process involves presenting evidence that the facility's products are made in compliance with good manufacturing practices (GMP). An acceptable standard for this is compliance with the model requirements of the good manufacturing checklist of the Association of American Feed Control Officials (AAFCO).

APHIS VS may be able to facilitate the registration process for animal-origin products and commodities by issuing a VS form 16-4 certificate "for registration purposes" that contains an additional statement pertaining to GMP. The support for this is an appropriate affidavit or certificate from a State or Federal agency that has competency to regulate GMP and the animal-origin product. Typically this agency would be the feed division located within the department of agriculture of the State in which the plant is located. The affidavit or certificate should reflect implementation of the AAFCO good manufacturing checklist in that State and appropriate compliance by the plant with these standards. The additional statements are provided below in English and Portuguese.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [agency name] verifying the accuracy of the statement below. / *Este gabinete tem em arquivo uma declaração autenticada de [nome da AGENCY], verificando a exatidão das declarações abaixo:*

The company's manufacturing processes are in compliance with U.S. laws and regulations and with good manufacturing practices (GMP) for the sanitary handling of products in the state where produced. / *Os processos de fabricação da empresa mencionada estão em conformidade com as leis e regulamentos dos Estados Unidos da América referentes as Boas Práticas de Fabricação (BPF) e em boas condições de higiene no estado onde foram produzidos.*