Export of Animal-Origin Materials from the U.S. to Canada for the Manufacture of Pet Food (in Canada) for Export (from Canada) to Australia

This guidance is applicable to those exporters whose Canadian importer plans to incorporate U.S. animal-origin materials into pet food intended for further export from Canada to Australia. The applicable export health certificate must include the relevant additional certification statements as prescribed below, endorsed by APHIS Veterinary Services (VS). These statements are required to allow the Canadian government (CFIA) to endorse certificates for pet food being exported from Canada to Australia.

For Suppliers of Porcine and Avian¹:

Rendered Materials: Consignments should be exported to Canada with the currently negotiated VS Form 16-4 certificate for non-ruminant rendered materials. A properly prepared notarized affidavit from those with firsthand knowledge of the statements below should be provided to the endorsing VS Service Center. The additional statements should appear at the end of the certificate on a separate page (utilize the VS Form 16-4A) as applicable.

Raw Inedible Materials: Consignments should be exported to Canada with the currently negotiated Health Certificate for the Export of Raw Inedible Animal Products and By-Products to Canada. A properly prepared notarized affidavit from those with firsthand knowledge of the statements below should be provided to the endorsing VS Service Center. The additional statements should appear at the end of the certificate on a separate page of security paper as applicable, appropriately page-numbered into the certificate.

Additional statements to appear on certificate:

For onward certification to Australia:

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, after due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, do hereby certify:

[For poultry products] Avian materials are derived from animals that were subjected to ante and/or post mortem inspection and were found to be free from systemic clinical infectious or contagious disease.

[For porcine products] Porcine materials are derived from animals that were subjected to antemortem inspection and whose carcasses were subjected to post-mortem inspection and were found to be free from systemic clinical infectious or contagious disease.

For Dairy Suppliers:

A properly prepared notarized affidavit from those with firsthand knowledge of the statements below should be provided to the endorsing VS Service Center. Consignments should be exported to Canada

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¹ Under normal circumstances, poultry presenting to slaughter dead-on-arrival are not permitted for use in pet food ingredients intended for pet food manufactured in Canada and further exported to Australia.

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with a VS Form 16-4 that contains the following statements under the "Additional Declarations" section of the certificate:

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, after due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, do here by certify:

- 1. The certified product originated in the U.S.
- 2. The animals were clinically healthy at the time the milk was obtained.

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