

## **Limed Bovine Hides for Use in Manufacturing or in Animal Feeding for Export to Mexico**

Please note that Mexico SENASICA requires certain traceability information for each product lot of lime-treated bovine skins and hides intended for further processing or for use in animal feeding. In order for the documentation to comply with Article 89 of Mexico's Animal Health Law, the certificate should be accompanied by a manufacturer's supplemental declaration that is cross referenced by the lot numbers that are given on the certificate. For each lot, the manufacturer's declaration must provide slaughter, production, packing or shipping and product expiry dates. The manufacturer's supplemental declaration must be signed by a legal representative of the company, giving their position within the company (acceptable examples: owner, president, quality control manager). The original and a copy of the supplemental declaration are required at the time of presentation of the product.

The following certification statements are required on the Export Certificate for Animal Products (VS Form 16-4) and continuation page VS form 16-4A as needed. A notarized affidavit from the manufacturer is required to support the statements on the VS Form 16-4 issued by APHIS Veterinary Services.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the following statements: / *Esta oficina cuenta en su expediente con una declaración notariada de [nombre de la compañía] que verifica la exactitud de las siguientes declaraciones:*

1. The product originates from the United States. / *El producto es originario de los Estados Unidos.*
2. The skins were derived from animals that were not slaughtered to eradicate animal disease epidemics. / *Las pieles se han obtenido a partir de animales que no han sido sacrificados para erradicar epidemias.*
3. The product was subjected to a liming treatment in an establishment under sanitary controls of the competent authority. The product treatment is not expected to negatively affect quality for use in animal feeding. / *El producto fue sometido a un procedimiento de encalado en un establecimiento bajo control sanitario oficial, y que el mismo no pone en riesgo la calidad para el consumo animal.*
4. After treatment, the skins were handled in such manner to avoid contamination with other products of animal origin. / *Las pieles se manejaron de forma tal que se evitó la contaminación con otros productos de origen animal después del tratamiento.*