Certification Requirements: Export of Inedible Protein Free Tallow for Industrial Use

The following certification statements should be provided in the Additional Declaration section on a VS Form 16-4, Export Certificate for Animal Products, for the export of inedible protein free tallow for industrial use to Peru. Product description (product box on VS Form 16-4) should include the species of origin (bovine) and the quantity of product being exported.

The first (unnumbered) certification statement must be made by APHIS VS. The remaining, numbered certification statements are to be made on the basis of a notarized affidavit from the manufacturer. NOTE: All certification statements are provided in both English and Spanish. The VS Form 16-4 accompanying the product should be bilingual.

Please see asterisked comments at the end, including ** pertaining to additional information the exporter needs to provide to the government of Peru. Please also note that the additional information is not to be a part of the certificate, nor is it to be endorsed by APHIS.

This office has reviewed the laboratory test results for the product certified hereon and verified that the maximum level of insoluble impurities in the product does not exceed 0.15% in weight. /Esta officina ha revisado los resultados de las pruebas de laboratorio para el producto aqui certificado y verificó que el nivel máximo de impurezas no solubles en el producto no excede el 0.15% en peso.

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [company name] verifying the accuracy of the statements below:/ Esta officina mantiene en archivos una declaracion notarizada de (nombre de la compañia) que verifica la certeza de las declaraciones de abajo:

- 1. The product is inedible protein free tallow intended for industrial use./ El producto es cebo no comestible libre de proteinas para uso industrial.
- 2. The product has been tested and meets international guidelines for protein free tallow (maximum level of insoluble impurities of 0.15% in weight)./ El producto ha sido probado y reune las normas internacionales para proteina libre de grasa (nivel maximo de impurezas no solubles de 0.15% en peso).
- 3. The product was inspected and weight verified by an independent third party./ El producto ha sido inspeccionado y el peso verificado por una tercera parte independiente.
- *Laboratory results must be provided to the endorsing VS Area Office verifying that the tallow being endorsed for export has a maximum level of insoluble impurities of 0.15% in weight.
- **In addition to the VS 16-4 endorsed by APHIS, the exporter must provide quality analysis information on the protein free tallow. This information is not to be included on the VS 16-4, nor is it to be endorsed by APHIS. Exporters may provide this information through a separate manufacturer's declaration. Exporters should verify through their importer what quality analysis information is required.