## **Spray-Dried Egg Products to Thailand**

This information pertains to U.S. origin spray-dried egg products (e.g. spray-dried egg powder) for use in animal feed.

The animal health authorities of Thailand (Department of Livestock Development [DLD]) have agreed to accept U.S. origin spray-dried egg products. Except as noted in this information, no changes may be made to these bilaterally negotiated certification statements (including addition or deletion of information) without permission from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Veterinary Services (VS) Animal Product Export trade negotiations staff.

Please review the information below regarding facility approval. Other requirements for the entry of spray-dried egg products into Thailand are not known. U.S. exporters are encouraged to work closely with their Thai importers to determine if an import permit is needed; if the product must be registered with Thai authorities; or if other entry requirements must be met.

## FACILITY APPROVAL

Only facilities that have been inspected and approved by Thailand's DLD or otherwise approved by Thailand are eligible to export. While APHIS VS trade negotiations staff maintains a list of spray-dried egg product facilities approved by Thailand within the APHIS internal database, APHIS inspection and approval is not needed. After verification of facility approval, APHIS VS certification of these commodities for export will be done on the basis of a notarized affidavit.

## **CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS**

Spray-dried egg products from approved facilities must be certified for export to Thailand using the VS Form 16-4 "Export Certificate for Animal Products." A fillable version of this form can be accessed via a link on the home page of the <u>IREGS</u>.

Exporters should work with their pertinent VS Service Center to ensure the export documents are properly and thoroughly completed. Exporters will need to provide a supporting notarized affidavit to the endorsing VS Service Center.

To verify compliance with statement #8, most recent Salmonella and Enterobacteriaceae testing results should be submitted with the certificate.

The following statements must be provided in the "ADDITIONAL DECLARATIONS" section of the VS Form 16-4:

This office has on file a notarized affidavit from [manufacturer] verifying the accuracy of the statements below.

- 1. The product was manufactured with raw material derived from poultry eggs originating in the United States or legally imported into the United States.
- 2. The product is U.S. origin, was manufactured in accordance with U.S. laws and regulations, and meets the requirements of the United States for domestic sale and use in animal feed.
- *3. The material used in the manufacture of the certified product:* 
  - a. was derived from eggs from poultry kept in a zone free from highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI), as defined by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE); or
  - b. was processed using moist heat for 30 minutes at 56°C, or by heating at a temperature of 60°C for 3.5 minutes for whole egg or whole egg blends, or to an

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equivalent treatment which has been demonstrated to inactivate the avian influenza virus.

- 4. The product was manufactured and handled in a sanitary manner, including precautions to prevent contamination with microbiological pathogens following processing.
- 5. The product was processed in an area free from Newcastle disease, as defined by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE).
- 6. The product was derived from whole eggs with or without shells, egg yolks or egg whites originating from poultry which did not show systemic clinical signs of any disease transmissible through the certified product to animals.
- 7. The product was manufactured in a processing plant subject to federal inspection.
- 8. The product was subjected to microbiological testing (Salmonella, Enterobacteriaceae) by random sampling during or after storage at the processing plant.
- 9. The product was packaged in new packing materials or totes; or if shipped in bulk, vehicles and/or containers were thoroughly sanitized before use, or container liners were used.

For information on product restrictions due to detections of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) or Newcastle disease, please refer to the endorsing Service Center for any current restrictions.

In the "PRODUCT" section of the VS Form 16-4, the type of product and animal species of origin should be identified (e.g. chicken spray-dried egg powder, chicken and turkey spray-dried egg powder).

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