International Submission

Material derived from any animal must be cleared at the U.S. port of arrival before entry into the United States. However, material from feline and canine species that have not been exposed to any livestock or poultry disease agents may enter the country without United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) restrictions.

Procedures:

In order to facilitate correct identification of the shipment and to ensure timely delivery, the following documentation should accompany each shipment:

1. A written statement identifying the material and naming the animal species,

2. A written statement confirming that the material does not contain any other animal derived material (i.e., does not contain any livestock or poultry origin material).

3. A written statement confirming that the material was not derived from feline or canine species which were inoculated with or exposed to any infectious agents of USDA agricultural concern.

This document should be supplied on foreign producer/shipper letterhead, with the letterhead containing the physical address of the foreign producer/shipper. It should be written in a clear and concise manner, accompany each shipment, and be presented as a separate document for review at the U.S. port of arrival. We do not recommend that the foreign producer/shipper place this document inside the shipping containers.

For all regulations and procedures, please refer to the appropriate USDA document.

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