

(3) Loan and LDP proceeds shall only be issued to members involved in pools used for loans or LDP's.

(4) When notified by CCC that loan and LDP distributions to a member must be reduced for a program year, farm, or crop, a CMA shall not make subsequent pool distributions and shall reimburse CCC for distributions previously issued, if applicable.

§ 1425.19 Member cooperatives.

A CMA may obtain loans or LDP's on behalf of a member cooperative when the member cooperative is itself a CMA operating in accordance with this part. Loans and LDP's are restricted based on the CMA obtaining the loan or LDP.

§ 1425.20 [Reserved]

§ 1425.21 Records required.

(a) A CMA shall maintain records for each loan or LDP commodity showing the quantity:

(1) Received from each member and nonmember;

(2) Eligible for loans and LDP's;

(3) By quality factors specified in the applicable commodity regulations including class, grade, and quality, where applicable; and

(4) Of unprocessed inventory broken down by items 1 through 3 above.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, inventory shall be allocated in the following manner until all inventory in a loan pool is depleted:

(1) For processed commodities, the pool's inventory shall be adjusted when the commodity is withdrawn from inventory for processing; and

(2) For commodities that are not processed, the pool's inventory shall be allocated to the pool and the pool's inventories adjusted when the commodity is shipped.

(c) Records of loan and non-loan pool dispositions do not have to be maintained separately when sales proceeds from pools are allocated according to the quantity and quality of commodity in the pools.

§ 1425.22 Inspection and investigation.

(a) The books, documents, papers, and records of the CMA and subsidiaries shall be maintained for five years after the applicable crop year and shall be available to CCC for inspection and examination at all reasonable times.

(b) At any time after an application is received, CCC shall have the right to examine all books, documents, papers, and determine whether the CMA is operating or has operated in accordance with the regulations in this part, its articles of incorporation or articles association, and agreements with producers, the representations made by

the CMA in its application for approval, and, where applicable, its agreements with CCC.

§ 1425.23 Reports.

(a) CMA's shall annually provide CCC a report of all commodity deliveries involved in loans and LDP's by FSA farm number for each member.

(b) When requested by CCC, CMA's shall report market gains received on behalf of each member.

§ 1425.24 OMB control number assigned pursuant to Paperwork Reduction Act.

The information collection requirements contained in these regulations (7 CFR 1425) have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35 and have been assigned OMB number 0560-0040.

§ 1425.25 Appeals.

A CMA may obtain reconsideration and review of determinations made under this part in accordance with the appeal regulations set forth at part 780 of this title.

Signed at Washington, D.C., on March 27, 1998.

Keith Kelly,

Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

9 CFR Part 85

[Docket No. 96-013-2]

Official Pseudorabies Tests

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: We are amending the pseudorabies regulations by adding the glycoprotein I Particle Concentration Fluorescence Immunoassay test to the list of official pseudorabies tests and allowing its use as an approved differential test. We are taking this action based on a finding that the sensitivity and specificity of the glycoprotein I Particle Concentration Fluorescence Immunoassay test are equivalent to those of official tests for the diagnosis of pseudorabies. This rule allows the glycoprotein I Particle Concentration Fluorescence Immunoassay test to be used as an official pseudorabies test to qualify certain pseudorabies vaccinated swine

for interstate movement to destinations other than slaughter or a quarantined herd or quarantined feedlot. Adding the glycoprotein I Particle Concentration Fluorescence Immunoassay test to the list of official pseudorabies tests also allows its use for the testing of nonvaccinated swine.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 9, 1998.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Pseudorabies is a contagious, infectious, and communicable disease of livestock, primarily swine, and other animals. The disease, also known as Aujeszky's disease, mad itch, and infectious bulbar paralysis, is caused by a herpes virus. The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's (APHIS) regulations in 9 CFR part 85 (referred to below as the regulations) govern the interstate movement of swine and other livestock (cattle, sheep, and goats) in order to help prevent the spread of pseudorabies.

On December 15, 1997, we published in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 65630-65631, Docket No. 96-013-1) a proposal to amend the pseudorabies regulations by adding the glycoprotein I (gPI) Particle Concentration Fluorescence Immunoassay (PCFIA) test to the list of official pseudorabies tests and allow its use as an approved differential test. We proposed this action based on a finding that the sensitivity and specificity of the gPI PCFIA test are equivalent to those of official tests for the diagnosis of pseudorabies.

We solicited comments concerning our proposal for 60 days ending February 13, 1998. We did not receive any comments. Therefore, based on the rationale set forth in the proposed rule, we are adopting the provisions of the proposal as a final rule without change.

Effective Date

This is a substantive rule that relieves restrictions and, pursuant to the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553, may be made effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**.

This rule will provide an alternative official pseudorabies test to be used as an approved differential test. It will allow the gPI PCFIA test to be used as an official pseudorabies test to qualify certain pseudorabies vaccinated swine for interstate movement to destinations

other than slaughter or a quarantined herd or quarantined feedlot. Making this rule effective immediately will allow producers of swine to use the gpl PCFIA test for the testing of nonvaccinated swine. Therefore, the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service has determined that this rule should be effective upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Executive Order 12866 and Regulatory Flexibility Act

This rule has been reviewed under Executive Order 12866. For this action, the Office of Management and Budget has waived its review process required by Executive Order 12866.

This rule amends the pseudorabies regulations by adding the gpl PCFIA test to the list of official pseudorabies tests. This rule will allow the gpl PCFIA test to be used as an official pseudorabies test to qualify certain pseudorabies vaccinated swine for interstate movement to destinations other than slaughter or a quarantined herd or quarantined feedlot. Adding the gpl PCFIA test to the list of official pseudorabies tests will also allow its use for the testing on nonvaccinated swine.

The total U.S. inventory of hogs and pigs was approximately 56 million, valued at \$5.283 billion, in 1996. The gross income of the inventory was approximately \$11 billion. More than 99 percent of swine producers are considered to be small entities. According to the standard set by the Small Business Administration for agricultural producers, a producer with less than \$0.5 million annually in sales qualifies as a small entity.

Nearly 95 percent of the swine inventory within the United States has not yet achieved pseudorabies-free status. The addition of this new test will provide an extra choice of official pseudorabies test for those who raise swine, when a test is required for interstate movement. Testing costs will be incurred only when an owner chooses to move a gpl vaccinates interstate to destinations other than slaughter or a quarantined herd or quarantined feedlot, since pseudorabies vaccinated swine do not require a test prior to interstate movement for slaughter or to a quarantined herd or quarantined feedlot. The cost of the gpl PCFIA test is within the range of the currently available tests. The test is highly automated and those laboratories that have the test kit are expected to accomplish the testing on large numbers of samples with greater speed. The test results have been found to produce fewer false negatives, reducing the need for tracebacks. The positive effect of

having accurate results in a short time will be beneficial in all stages of pseudorabies eradication.

Allowing the use of the gpl PCFIA test to determine the pseudorabies status of nonvaccinated swine is not expected to have a significant economic impact on the owners of nonvaccinated swine, as it is only an additional pseudorabies testing tool to ensure the health of the U.S. swine population. It is likely, though, since the new gpl PCFIA test may be slightly higher in cost than other testing tools that are on the market, that most owners of nonvaccinated swine will continue using less expensive official pseudorabies tests until the cost of the gpl PCFIA test becomes comparable to that of other official tests.

Under these circumstances, the Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service has determined that this action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Executive Order 12372

This program/activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.025 and is subject to Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials. (See 7 CFR part 3015, subpart V.)

Executive Order 12988

This rule has been reviewed under Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform. This rule: (1) Preempts all State and local laws and regulations that are in conflict with this rule; (2) has no retroactive effect; and (3) does not require administrative proceedings before parties may file suit in court challenging this rule.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This rule contains no new information collection or recordkeeping requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

List of Subjects in 9 CFR Part 85

Animal diseases, Livestock, Quarantine, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Transportation.

Accordingly, 9 CFR part 85 is amended as follows:

PART 85—PSEUDORABIES

1. The authority citation for part 85 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 111, 112, 113, 115, 117, 120, 121, 123–126, 134b, and 134f; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.2(d).

§ 85.1 [Amended]

2. In § 85.1, in the definition of *official pseudorabies test*, in the second sentence, item 6 is amended by adding the words “, including the gpl PCFIA test” immediately after the word “Test”.

§ 85.6 [Amended]

3. Section 85.6 is amended as follows:

a. In paragraph (c)(2)(iii), the words “or a gpl Particle Concentration Fluorescence Immunoassay (PCFIA)” are added immediately after the word “(ELISA)”.

b. In paragraph (c)(2)(iv), the words “or the gpl PCFIA” are added immediately after the word “ELISA”.

c. In paragraph (c)(2)(v), the words “or the gpl PCFIA” are added immediately after the word “ELISA”.

Done in Washington, DC, on this 3rd day of April 1998.

Craig A. Reed,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 97–CE–140–AD; Amendment 39–10453; AD 98–08–04]

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Airworthiness Directives; AERMACCI S.p.A. Models S.208 and S.208A Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD) that applies to all AERMACCI S.p.A. Models S.208 and S.208A airplanes. This AD requires inspecting the landing gear rod springs to assure they are made with a wire diameter of 4.5 millimeters (mm), and replacing any that have a wire diameter of 4.0 mm. This AD is the result of mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) issued by the airworthiness authority for Italy. The actions specified by this AD are intended to prevent failure of the landing gear caused by an insufficient wire diameter of the rod springs, which could result in loss of control of the airplane during landing operations.

DATES: Effective May 26, 1998.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulations is approved by the Director