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Subject : Accelerated Pseudorabies Eradication Program (APEP)  
Indemnity Program Deadline and Producer Voluntary  
Withdrawal

Animal and  
Plant Health  
Inspection  
Service

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To : Directors, VS Regions  
Area Veterinarians in Charge, VS

Washington, DC  
20250

The purpose of this Notice is to clarify The Indemnity Program Deadline and provide guidelines for producers with a Date of Acceptance who wish to withdraw from the APEP.

The proposed Interim Rule (Docket No. 99-123-2), Pseudorabies in Swine; Payment of Indemnity, was published January 15, 1999. The Indemnity Program will extend from the date of publication of this interim rule for 6 months or until funds allocated for the program are depleted, whichever comes first. This Notice clarifies that the 6 month ending date to be July 15, 1999, for The Indemnity Program. July 15, 1999, is the last date for a producer to establish a Date of Contact provided allocated funds have not been depleted.

The Indemnity Program portion of the APEP expresses the need for swift and thorough elimination of affected herds. Herds that were quarantined prior to January 14, 1999, and as of the date of this notice, have a Date of Enrollment should be depopulated prior to July 15, 1999. All producers of quarantined herds will be allowed to establish a date of contact until July 15, 1999.

All newly-quarantined affected herds (after January 14, 1999) will continue to have the opportunity to participate in the program as long as funds are available or until July 15, 1999. These herds must be depopulated no later than September 30, 1999.

The APEP is a voluntary program. A producer has the option to withdraw from the APEP but then must participate in the eradication program standards of test and removal. Such producers choosing to withdraw should signify in writing no later than the scheduled Date of Delivery. A statement written on an APEP Worksheet and signed and dated by the producer is suggested. This will allow APEP program officials to obligate the funds to other producers. The withdrawal documents should be maintained on file by the AVIC.



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A producer who has chosen to withdraw from the APEP may re-enroll at a later date prior to July 15 1999, or until funds allocated for the program are depleted. The producers that re-enroll will receive a new Date of Contact and compensation will be in accordance with APEP guidelines.

Questions regarding either the July 15 1999, date or the owner withdrawal letters should be addressed to the APEP Staff at 301-734-8073.

*/signed/ Thomas E. Walton for*

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