

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,) SS.
TRADE & CONSUMER PROTECTION)

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, Joan M. Arnoldi, Administrator, Animal Health Division, State of Wisconsin, Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, and custodian of the official records of said Division, do hereby certify that the annexed order adopting rules relating to the establishment of a leukosis-free herd certification program, subsections Ag 10.01(36) through (38) and section Ag 10.38, Wis. Adm. Code, was duly approved and adopted by the Department on May 5, 1986.

I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in the Department and that the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department at the Department offices in the city of Madison, this 5th day of May, 1986.

Joan M. Arnoldi
Joan M. Arnoldi, Administrator
Animal Health Division

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1 ORDER
2 OF THE
3 STATE OF WISCONSIN
4 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION
5 ADOPTING RULES

6 To create Ag 10.01(36) through (38) and Ag 10.38, relating to
7 the establishment of a leukosis-free herd certification program.

Analysis Prepared by the Department of
Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

These rules create a voluntary leukosis-free herd certification program. Leukosis is a contagious disease of cattle. The rules establish a procedure to test for the presence of leukosis in individual animals and in herds. The tests must be approved by the department and conducted at department laboratories. The department may certify a herd as "leukosis-free" if all of the tests show that no leukosis virus antibodies are present.

The rules provide that all animals in the herd, 6 months of age or older, must be tested for leukosis. The animals must be found to be free of leukosis in 3 consecutive tests. Each of these tests must be conducted between 90 and 120 days apart. After these 3 tests have been successfully completed, the herd may be certified as "leukosis-free." This certification is for a one-year period, commencing from the date of the last test. A herd may be recertified as "leukosis-free" for additional one-year periods. To qualify for recertification, all animals in the herd, 6 months of age or older, must again be tested for leukosis. This test must be conducted within 90 days after the expiration of the herd's previous certification and must show that all of the animals in the herd are free of leukosis. The recertification period commences from the date of the last leukosis test.

The rules provide that the department shall summarily revoke a herd's "leukosis-free" certification if any animal in the herd is found to have leukosis virus antibodies. Such a herd may requalify for certification by satisfying the requirements for original certification.

The rules provide that an individual animal is deemed to be from a "leukosis-free herd" only if it was a member of the herd for at least 180 days and was included in the herd's 2 most recent tests. No animal may be added to a "leukosis-free herd" unless it is tested and found to be free of leukosis not more than 30 days before entry into the herd. After entering the herd, an animal must be tested 2 more times. The first of these 2 tests must be performed between 90 and 120 days after the animal enters the

herd. The second test must be performed between 90 and 120 days after the first post entry test.

1 Pursuant to authority vested in the State of Wisconsin
2 department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection by
3 ss. 93.07(1) and (10), Stats., the department adopts rules
4 interpreting sections 93.07(10) and 95.23, Stats., as follows:

5 SECTION 1. Ag 10.01(36) through (38) are created to read:

6 Ag 10.01(36) "Leukosis" means the condition of cattle caused
7 by bovine type C oncovirus manifested by the presence of bovine
8 leukosis virus antibodies, which may result in lymphosarcoma or
9 lymphocytosis.

10 Ag 10.01(37) "Leukosis-free herd" means a herd of cattle
11 certified as being free from bovine leukosis virus antibodies as
12 provided in Ag 10.38.

13 Ag 10.01(38) "Leukosis test" means a test approved by the
14 department, conducted at department laboratories to determine
15 whether bovine leukosis virus antibodies are present in cattle,
16 and evaluated by a department epidemiologist.

17 SECTION 2. Ag 10.38 is created to read:

18 Ag 10.38 LEUKOSIS-FREE HERD; CERTIFICATION AND REQUIREMENTS.

19 (1) QUALIFICATION FOR CERTIFICATE. The department may certify a
20 herd of cattle as a "leukosis-free herd" if the herd owner or man-
21 ager voluntarily requests certification, and provides proof that
22 all animals in the herd, 6 months of age or older, have been found
23 negative for leukosis in 3 consecutive leukosis tests. Herd
24 samples for each successive test shall be taken no sooner than
25 90 days and no later than 120 days from the date of the preceding

1 test and shall be referred to the department promptly for
2 testing.

3 (2) EXPIRATION OF CERTIFICATE. Certification as a
4 "leukosis-free herd" shall commence retroactively from the date on
5 which the last negative leukosis test sample under sub. (1) was
6 taken and shall continue for a period of one year from that date.

7 (3) RECERTIFICATION OF CERTIFICATE. The department may
8 recertify a herd of cattle as a "leukosis-free herd" for addi-
9 tional one-year periods if the herd owner or manager provides the
10 department with proof that all animals in the herd, 6 months of
11 age or older, have been found negative for leukosis based on a
12 leukosis test performed on a herd sample taken not later than
13 90 days after the expiration of the herd's previous certification.
14 Recertification shall commence retroactively from the date on
15 which the negative test sample under this subsection was taken.

16 (4) REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATION. The department shall sum-
17 marily revoke the "leukosis-free herd" certification of a herd if
18 any animal in the herd is found positive for leukosis in any leu-
19 kosis test. A herd that has had its "leukosis-free herd" certifi-
20 cation revoked may requalify for certification by satisfying the
21 requirements of sub. (1).

22 (5) STATUS OF INDIVIDUAL ANIMALS. No animal is deemed to be
23 from a "leukosis-free herd" unless it has been a member of the
24 herd for at least 180 days and has been tested and found negative
25 for leukosis in the herd's 2 most recent leukosis tests.

26 (6) ADDITIONS TO THE HERD. No animal may be added to a
27 "leukosis-free herd" unless it is tested and found negative for

1 leukosis in a leukosis test performed not more than 30 days before
 2 the animal is added to the herd. The animal shall also be tested
 3 for leukosis in 2 additional leukosis tests performed after the
 4 animal is added to the herd. The first of these 2 additional
 5 tests shall be performed no sooner than 90 days and no later than
 6 120 days after the animal is added to the herd. The second test
 7 shall be performed no sooner than 90 days and no later than
 8 120 days after the first post entry test. Certification of a herd
 9 as a "leukosis-free herd" is effective only if the requirements of
 10 this subsection are met. Certification is rendered null and void,
 11 with or without any action by the department, if the requirements
 12 of this subsection are not met.

13 SECTION 3. The rules contained in this order shall take
 14 effect on the first day of the month following publication in the
 15 Wisconsin Administrative Register, as provided in s. 227.026,
 16 Stats.

17 Dated this 5th day of May, 1986

18 STATE OF WISCONSIN
 19 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE
 20 AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

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