Monday, November 16, 2020

Dear COL Michelle Thompson:

Your USDA Veterinary Permit to import and/or transport controlled materials, organisms, or vectors accompanies this cover letter.

Review this permit carefully, as the statements and language may have changed to reflect the requirements of newly published regulations.

**The main restriction wording changed slightly.**

Please note the following:

- USDA Veterinary Permits no longer require a signature. Use of the permit for importation of the described commodity(ies) is acknowledgement that the permittee is legally responsible for complying with the permit conditions.
- Review the import permit for errors. Should you identify any errors, please contact our office immediately
- A copy of the permit must accompany every shipment.

Do Not send the permit back to this office.

Contact our office with any questions or concerns at apie@usda.gov or 301-851-3300, option 4.

Sincerely,

David J. Pasnik
Senior Staff Veterinarian
Animal Product Import and Export (APIE)

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE WWW.APHIS.USDA.GOV AND ENJOY OUR QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER
WHICH HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPORT AND EXPORT STAFF CONTINUED EFFORTS TOWARD SAFEGUARDING U.S. AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK. THIS NEWSLETTER ALSO FEATURES CURRENT TRENDS SHAPING APHIS/APIE AND THE IMPORT PERMIT PROCESS.

HAVE A SHIPMENT ON-HOLD? PLEASE VISIT OUR REVAMPED ON-HOLD SHIPMENT WEBSITE FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE  On Hold - Shipment Notification Application (for Animal Products and By-Products)
UNITED STATES VETERINARY PERMIT FOR IMPORTATION AND TRANSPORTATION OF CONTROLLED MATERIALS AND ORGANISMS AND VECTORS

PERMIT NUMBER
101539
Research

DATE ISSUED
12/03/2020

DATE EXPIRES
12/03/2021

NAME AND ADDRESS OF SHIPPER(S)
Matrix MicroScience, Limited
Lynx Business Park
Fordham Road, Newmarket
Cambridgeshire, CB8 7NY UK
UNITED KINGDOM

CC:
CDC (Atlanta, GA)
Service Center, TX (Oklahoma City, OK)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE INCLUDING ZIP CODE AND TELEPHONE NUMBER
COL Michelle Thompson
Department of the Army
DoD Veterinary Food Analysis and Diagnostic Laboratory
2472 Schofield Road, Building 2630
Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234
210-295-4604

U.S. PORT(S) OF ARRIVAL
AS APPLICABLE

MODE OF TRANSPORTATION
ANY

AS REQUESTED IN YOUR APPLICATION, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO IMPORT OR TRANSPORT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS

Purified antibodies (ovine and/or caprine origin) - target Salmonella spp., E. coli 0157:H7, Listeria spp., and/or Campylobacter spp.

RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS FOR TRANSPORTING AND HANDLING MATERIALS AND ALL DERIVATIVES

THIS PERMIT IS ISSUED UNDER AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN 9 CFR CHAPTER 1, PARTS 94, 95 AND 122. THE AUTHORIZED MATERIALS OR THEIR DERIVATIVES SHALL BE USED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS SPECIFIED BELOW (ALTERATIONS OF RESTRICTIONS CAN BE MADE ONLY WHEN AUTHORIZED BY USDA, APHIS, VS).

o Adequate safety precautions shall be maintained during shipment and handling to prevent dissemination of disease.

o With the use of this permit, Michelle Thompson, Permittee, acknowledge that the regulated material(s) will be imported/transported within the United States in accordance with the terms and conditions as are specified in the permit. The Permittee is the legal importer/recipient [as applicable] of regulated article(s) and is responsible for complying with the permit conditions. The Permittee must be at least 18 years of age and have and maintain an address in the United States that is specified on the permit; or if another legal entity, maintain an address or business office in the United States with a designated individual for service of process; and serve as the contact for the purpose of communications associated with the import, transit, or transport of the regulated article(s). **Note: Import/Permit requirements are subject to change at any time during the duration of this permit.

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TO EXPEDITE CLEARANCES AT THE PORT OF ENTRY, BILL OF LADING, AIRBILL OR OTHER DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING THE SHIPMENT SHALL BEAR THE PERMIT NUMBER

SIGNATURE
David Pasnik

TITLE
Senior Staff Veterinarian
APHIS Veterinary Services

NO. LABELS

VS FORM 16-6A (MAR 95) Replaces VS Form 16-3A and 16-28 which are obsolete
RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS: (continued from Permit Form VS 16-6)

- Each shipment shall be accompanied by an ORIGINAL signed document from the producer/manufacturer confirming that the exported materials: 1) are antibodies derived from ovine and/or caprine species that originated in the United States and/or the United Kingdom; 2) were held at a pH of 5.0 or less for at least 30 minutes and then purified by affinity chromatography; and 3) were not exposed to or commingled with any other animal origin material. [This certification must CLEARLY correspond to the shipment by means of an invoice number or shipping marks or lot number or other identification method.]

- COMMERCIAL DISTRIBUTION OF THE IMPORTED MATERIALS AND/OR THEIR DERIVATIVES IS PROHIBITED.

- Imported material exposed to or derived from ruminants originating in any country listed below may NOT be used, either directly or indirectly in ANY animals due to the presence or significant risk of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) in these countries. Work with materials and/or their derivatives shall be limited to IN VITRO uses only.

- BSE countries/regions include Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Denmark, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, the Republic of Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Oman, Poland, Portugal, Romania, the Republic of San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom [includes Great Britain (England, Scotland, Wales, Isle of Man), Northern Ireland, and the Falklands].

- Packaging, containers, and all equipment in contact with these materials shall be sterilized or considered a biohazard and be disposed of accordingly.

- THIS PERMIT IS VALID ONLY FOR WORK CONDUCTED OR DIRECTED BY YOU OR YOUR DESIGNEE IN YOUR PRESENT U.S. FACILITY OR APPROPRIATELY INSPECTED LABORATORY. THE AUTHORIZED IMPORTED MATERIAL(S) MUST BE SHIPPED/CONSIGNED DIRECTLY TO THE ADDRESS OF THE PERMITTEE OR TO THE ADDRESS OF THE ADDITIONAL PERMITTEE(S) AS IDENTIFIED ON THIS PERMIT. (MATERIALS AND/OR THEIR DERIVATIVES SHALL NOT BE MOVED TO ANOTHER U.S. LOCATION, OR DISTRIBUTED WITHIN THE U.S., WITHOUT USDA, APHIS, VS AUTHORIZATION.)

- Imported material may be subject to regulations enforced by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Importer must contact the Division of Import Operations and Policy at Area Code (301) 796-0356.
RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS: (continued from Permit Form VS 16-6)

- Importer/permittee is responsible for obtaining any required authorization (letter or permit) from the Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (DHHS, CDC). Importer to contact: (404) 718-2077.

- On completion of your work, all permitted materials and all derivatives therefrom shall be destroyed.

- The restrictions on this permit remain in force as long as the material is in the United States.

- This permit does not exempt the permittee from responsibility for compliance with any other applicable federal, state, or local laws and regulations.

- Any person who VIOLATES the terms and conditions of permits, and/or who forge, counterfeit, or deface permits may be subject to criminal and civil penalties in accordance with applicable law. In addition, all current permits may be cancelled and future permit applications denied.

- A copy of this permit must be included with the shipping documents. For imported materials, these documents must be presented to CBP Agricultural Specialists upon arrival at the U.S. port of arrival.

SIGNATURE

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