Friday, July 2, 2021

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.

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,

Troy Bigelow, DVM
Organisms and Vectors Permitting
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...
**Permit Number**: 51279
**Research**

**Date Issued**: 08/29/2021  **Date Expires**: 08/29/2022

**Name and Address of Shipper(s)**
BioTechnology Frontiers (BFT PTY LTD)
Unit 1, 35-41 Waterloo Road
North Ryde NSW 2113
AUSTRALIA

**Name and Address of Permittee Including ZIP Code and Telephone Number**
COL Michelle Thompson
Department of The Army
DOD Food Analysis and Diagnostic Laboratory
2472 Schofield Road, Suite 2630
Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234-6232
210-295-4604

**U.S. Ports of Arrival as Applicable**

**Mode of Transportation**
ANY

**Restrictions and Precautions for Transporting and Handling Materials and All Derivatives**

This permit is issued under authority contained in 9 CFR Chapter I, 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.

- Adequate safety precautions shall be maintained during shipment and handling to prevent dissemination of disease.
- With the use of this permit, COL 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.**
- Materials shall be consigned directly to the permittee address specified above.

**Signature**: Troy Bigelow  **Title**: Organisms and Vectors Permitting APHIS Veterinary Services

**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: 1) the exported material contains serum/blood obtained only from horses and sheep considered to be free of evidence of disease and originating from Australia; and 2) bacteria was exposed only to animal-derived nutrient factors/supplements (such as fetal bovine serum, albumin, insulin, or other "growth factors") of U.S., Australian, or New Zealand origin.
  [This certification must CLEARLY correspond to the shipment by means of an invoice number or shipping marks or lot number or other identification method.]

- This permit DOES NOT authorize direct or indirect exposure of or inoculation into laboratory and domestic livestock, including poultry, cattle, sheep, swine, horses, etc. Work shall be limited to in-vitro uses only.

- Packaging, containers, and all equipment in contact with the imported products shall be sterilized or considered a biohazard and must be disposed of accordingly.

- It is incumbent upon the permittee to uphold proper biosafety procedures and protocols to protect human and animal health as per institutional policy and recommendations published in Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories, current edition.

- Importer is responsible for obtaining any required authorization (letter or permit) from the U.S. Public Health Service. Importer to contact [(404) 718-2077].

- 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.

- Imported articles (including hand-carried material) may be subject to regulations enforced by US Customs and Border Protection (CBP). Please visit their website: http://cbp.gov/biologicals

- Work with the permitted material shall be performed in accordance with the condition requirements described in this permit. Subsequent distribution to another state is prohibited without prior authorization of APHIS (in the form of an interstate transport permit, written correspondence, or reference to an applicable guideline for no import permit required). Any change in use, treatment, disposal, and distribution within the state may require approval from the state and/or local government.

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**SIGNATURE**

Troy Bigelow

**TITLE**

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RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS: (continued from Permit Form VS 16-6)

- 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.

- 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  Troy Bigelow

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