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**SOURCE:**                      COMMITTEE ON TRANSMISSIBLE DISEASES OF SWINE

**SUBJECT MATTER:**          COMPREHENSIVE AND INTEGRATED SWINE  
SURVEILLANCE

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the United States pork industry have made significant progress in the development of the infrastructure necessary for implementing a comprehensive and integrated surveillance system (CISS) for swine diseases. The United States pork industry continues to implement the Swine Identification Plan which will support risk-based surveillance and statistically significant sampling from swine populations. The industry has also continued to prioritize and communicate surveillance objectives for inclusion in a CISS for swine diseases.

Critical for implementation of CISS is the role of the USDA, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Veterinary Services, National Surveillance Unit to balance surveillance objectives with available surveillance streams, estimate costs and provide analysis back to the US pork industry. For various reasons related to issues with infrastructure and resources, which have recently been addressed with targeted funding for CISS, this process has not occurred for previously identified surveillance objectives thus limiting CISS implementation.

**RESOLUTION:**

The United States Animal Health Association (USAHA) urges the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS), National Surveillance Unit to continue the implementation of industry surveillance priorities, through appropriate risk-based surveillance streams and communicate the results. A progress report from USDA-APHIS-VS should be provided to the Swine Species Committee at the 2012 National Institute of Animal Agriculture annual meeting and to the USAHA Committee on Transmissible Diseases of Swine.

**INTERIM RESPONSE:**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Veterinary Services (VS) plans to continue to implement a comprehensive and integrated surveillance system for swine diseases to address industry, State, and Federal surveillance priorities through appropriate risk-based surveillance streams. VS will provide a progress report to the



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Swine Species Committee at the 2012 National Institute for Animal Agriculture annual meeting and to the United States Animal Health Association Committee on Transmissible Diseases of Swine at the 2012 meeting.