

UNITED STATES ANIMAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION - 2007

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 46 APPROVED

SOURCE: COMMITTEE ON TRANSMISSIBLE DISEASES OF SWINE

SUBJECT MATTER: HAZARD ANALYSIS CRITICAL CONTROL POINTS AND SWINE PROGRAM DISEASES

DATES: RENO, NEVADA, OCTOBER 18 – 24, 2007

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The United States (US) pork industry has worked cooperatively with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS) Swine Health Programs (SHP) to explore the use of Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP) principles as a methodology to develop and maintain flexible, simple and effective disease programs for the swine industry. The industry supports the utilization of HACCP principles to define program standard guidelines for the control of pseudorabies virus (PRV) and swine brucellosis (SB) in the commercial swine compartment.

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) Swine Health Programs (SHP) to continue to work with industry to adapt and implement the Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP) principles to define program standards for the Pseudorabies and Swine Brucellosis Programs. Further, it is requested that USDA-APHIS-VS, SHP present such prototypes to USAHA's Committee on Transmissible Diseases of Swine during its annual meeting in 2008.

RESPONSE:

USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Services

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS) recognizes the concerns of the United States Animal Health Association (USAHA) and appreciates the opportunity to respond. In addition, VS appreciates the swine industry's support of Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP) principles; this support is instrumental in defining

future control of pseudorabies, swine brucellosis, and other diseases in the commercial swine compartment.

VS plans to continue developing a HACCP-like program prototype by collaborating with industry officials and the National Surveillance Unit (NSU). This will allow development of program rules and regulatory standards that meet ever changing swine disease and surveillance needs. VS understands industry's request for presentation of a prototype at the 2008 USAHA's Committee on Transmissible Diseases of Swine, and plans to provide the committee with a progress update at the 2008 USAHA meeting.