

# UNITED STATES ANIMAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION – 2004

**RESOLUTION NUMBER:** 42            **APPROVED**

**SOURCE:** COMMITTEE ON SCRAPIE

**SUBJECT MATTER:** CONSISTENT STATE COMPLIANCE

**DATE:** OCTOBER 27, 2004

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The codified deadline for states to be in compliance as a “consistent state” was August 21, 2003, two years after the regulation became effective.

## **RESOLUTION:**

The United States Animal Health Association (USAHA) urges State Animal Health Officials to submit their Consistent State status pre-review checklist immediately and the states take appropriate measures to be in full compliance. USAHA further urges the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS) and State Animal Health Officials to take action immediately to enforce compliance with the interstate movement and consistent state regulations.

## **RESPONSE:**

The Department Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Veterinary Services is committed to enforcing the interstate movement and consistent State regulations. Forty nine States have submitted a complete pre-review check list. Twenty states have put the required intrastate regulations into place, and 29 States have submitted work plans for doing so; 11 of these are expected to have regulations in place by the end of fiscal year 2005. The remaining State has been challenged by personnel changes and should have the work plan and timeline for implementing the required regulation in place shortly. USDA is actively investigating reports of violations of the interstate movement requirements and has taken compliance action against several dealers for infractions resulting in significant fines.