EQUINE SEMEN VETERINARY CERTIFICATE ADDENDUM

Certificate #:

I, …… an Official Veterinarian authorised by the Competent Authority of ……. certify, after due enquiry, with respect to the donor stallions and semen identified in the accompanying veterinary certificate, that:

For EVA:

1) The donor stallions were subjected to a virus neutralisation (VN) test for EVA not less than 21 days after entering the semen collection centre which demonstrated a negative result;

   Date of sampling:

   OR

2) The donor stallions were vaccinated against EVA under official veterinary control and have been re-vaccinated at regular intervals (at least annually).

   Date(s) of vaccination(s):

   (N.B. Approved programmes for initial vaccination are as follows:
   a. vaccination on the day a blood sample was taken which was subjected to the VN test with a negative result
   b. vaccination during a period of isolation of not more than 15 days, commencing on the day a blood sample was taken which was subjected to the VN test with a negative result, and
   c. vaccination when the animal was at an age of 180 to 270 days during a period of isolation, during which two blood samples taken at least 10 days apart were subjected to the VN test and demonstrated a negative, stable or declining antibody titre.);

   OR

3) The donor stallions are seropositive to EVA, there is no evidence of them shedding equine arteritis virus in semen or being treated with gonadotropin-releasing hormone antagonist, and they were tested during the one year prior to export in order to determine that they are not semen carriers.

   Test used:
   Dates of sampling:

   (N.B. A declaration must be provided, by the veterinarian who deals with the stallion, that there is no evidence of the stallion ever shedding EAV in semen or being treated with gonadotropin-releasing hormone antagonist (see sample below).

   Approved methods for determining semen carriers are as follows:
   a. test mating to two mares which were subjected to VN tests with negative results on two blood samples, one collected at the time of test mating and the other 28 days after mating, or
   b. virus isolation on cell culture carried out on the sperm rich fraction of two separate semen samples with negative results.)

DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, ...
(Veterinarian holding records for the horse described above)

have made due enquiry of the owner of the horse described above and have examined relevant records relating to the horse's breeding life, and declare that:

i) there is no evidence to indicate that the horse has shed **equine arteritis virus** (**EVA**) in his semen at any time

AND

ii) there is no evidence to indicate that the horse has ever been treated with gonadotropin-releasing hormone antagonist.

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(Signature of veterinarian) (Print Name) (Date)

For CEM:

1) During the breeding season in which the semen for export is collected, the donor stallion has been tested for Taylorella equigenitalis by swabbing and culture on two occasions, with a negative result for Taylorella equigenitalis in each case. The swabs must be taken at 5-7 day intervals. (N.B. The sites for swabbing are from the prepuce, the urethral sinus, and the fossa glandis (including its diverticulum).)

   Dates of sampling:

2) If testing occurred prior to the collection of semen for export, since the date of first swabbing for Taylorella equigenitalis testing until the time of collection for export, the donor stallion has not been naturally mated, except to mares of equivalent health status.