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## BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE STATE OF NEBRASKA

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STATE VETERINARIAN	)	
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY	)	AMENDED
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	)	NEW MEXICO
STATE OFFICE BUILDING	)	BEEF CATTLE AND BISON
301 CENTENNIAL MALL SOUTH	)	IMPORTATION EMBARGO
FOURTH FLOOR	)	AMENDED March 27, 2009
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA 68509	)	

The USDA issued an interim rule effective March 23, 2009, establishing two separate zones with different tuberculosis risk classifications for the State of New Mexico. As a result of this reclassification, New Mexico is being removed from the list of modified accredited advanced states, adding an area consisting of **Curry and Roosevelt counties, New Mexico**, to the list of **modified accredited advanced zones**, and adding the remainder of the state to the list of accredited-free zones.

Pursuant to the authority of Neb. Rev. Stat. §54-701 and §54-753.05, this Amended Embargo is issued this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March 2009, for the purpose of protecting the health status of Nebraska's dairy, beef, and bison industries.

This Amended Embargo is in addition to requirements found in the current Nebraska Department of Agriculture Animal Importation Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§54-784.01 through 54-796); and the Nebraska Department of Agriculture Animal Importation Regulations (23 NAC, Chapter 2).

### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. Cattle which originate from **Curry or Roosevelt counties**, New Mexico, shall meet the following requirements:
  - a. Beef cattle and bison of any age and sexually altered shall obtain a permit for entry prior to import and the permit number shall be listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI).
  - b. All sexually intact beef cattle and bison, two (2) months of age and older, shall obtain a permit for entry, be officially identified; **and**

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- i. Originate from an accredited herd, with the accredited herd number listed on the CVI; **or**
  - ii. Originate from a herd that has had a negative whole herd test within three hundred sixty-five (365) days prior to entry **and** the individual animals to be imported shall have been part of the whole herd test; **or**
  - iii. Shall have been individually tested and found negative to tuberculosis within sixty (60) days prior to entry (no cattle shall be tuberculosis tested prior to the age of two (2) months).
- c. All sexually intact beef cattle and bison less than two (2) months of age shall be quarantined to their Nebraska destination until tested and found negative to an official tuberculin test.
2. New Mexico cattle and bison entering Nebraska for slaughter purposes only do not fall under the authority of this Amended Embargo, but shall move directly to an approved slaughter establishment without being off loaded.

**NOTICE: ALL NEW MEXICO DAIRY CATTLE SHALL MEET ALL REQUIREMENTS OF THE JANUARY 22, 2007, NEBRASKA DAIRY CATTLE IMPORT ORDER OR THE NEBRASKA IMPORTATION REGULATIONS, WHICHEVER IS MOST RESTRICTIVE.**

This Amended Embargo is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until notice is given by the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. Any additional exceptions to this Amended Embargo will only be by approval of the State Veterinarian upon epidemiological evaluation and risk determination.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2009.

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