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VETERINARY SERVICES MEMORANDUM NO. 800.97

TO: Veterinary Services Leadership Team
Directors, Center for Veterinary Biologics
Biologics Licensees, Permittees, and Applicants

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SUBJECT: Standard Reference Preparations, Test Reagents, and Seed Cultures
for Laboratory Test Reagents

I. PURPOSE

This memorandum provides information on how to obtain reference preparations,
test reagents, and seed cultures for laboratory test reagents from the Center for
Veterinary Biologics (CVB) for use in testing veterinary biological products, as
authorized in title 9, *Code of Federal Regulations* (9 CFR), section 113.2.

II. CANCELLATION

This memorandum cancels Veterinary Services (VS) Memorandum No. 800.97,
dated November 14, 2011.

III. LIST OF CURRENTLY AVAILABLE REAGENTS

CVB maintains a current catalog of available reagents on its Web site at
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/vet_biologics/publications/vb_reagent_cat
alog.pdf. Copies of the catalog also may be requested from CVB at the address
shown in Section IV of this memorandum.

IV. REQUESTS AND SHIPMENTS

Requests for standard reference preparations, standard test reagents, or seed cultures
should be made using APHIS Form 2018, "Veterinary Biologics Request for
Reference, Reagent, or Reagent Seed Material." The form is available on the CVB
Web site at http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animalhealth/cvb_forms, or by request. Send
requests and completed forms to the Center for Veterinary Biologics, 1920 Dayton
Avenue (P.O. Box 844), Ames, IA 50010.

Shipments of standard reference preparations, standard test reagents, or seed cultures must contain a copy of the request and, for each item, a CVB reagent data sheet, including directions for use.