



## USDA QUALITY SYSTEM ASSESSMENT (QSA) PROGRAM SEGREGATION OF CATTLE MATERIAL PROHIBITED FROM ANIMAL FEED (S-CMPAF)

### 1 Purpose

This document provides the requirements to produce bovine inedible raw materials free of prohibited cattle material intended for use as an ingredient in U.S. animal feed offered to rendering plants or other facilities that receive, manufacture, process, blend, or distribute any cattle materials for animal feed as published in *21 CFR Part 589 Substances Prohibited from Use in Animal Food or Feed*. These requirements are verified under the USDA Quality Systems Assessment (QSA) Program for Segregation of Cattle Material Prohibited from Animal Feed (S-CMPAF).

### 2 Scope

This program may be used by U.S. companies that supply bovine inedible raw materials intended for use as an ingredient in U.S. animal feed and pet food. Companies must meet the specified product requirements through an approved USDA QSA Program. The requirements for the QSA Program are defined in QAD 1002 Procedure: *USDA Quality System Assessment Program*. The QSA Program ensures that the specified product requirements are supported by a documented quality management system.

Alternatively, a company may meet the specified product requirements through an approved USDA Process Verified Program (PVP). The requirements of the PVP are defined in QAD 1001 Procedure: *USDA Process Verified Program*.

### 3 Reference Documents

QAD1000 Procedure: *Quality Systems Verification Programs, General Policies and Procedures*

QAD 1002 Procedure: *USDA Quality System Assessment Program*

*Official Listing of Approved Companies to the QSA Program for S-CMPAF*

[USDA Quality System Assessment Program website](#)

[Food and Drug Administration, Health and Human Services: 21 CFR Part 589 - Substances Prohibited from Use in Animal Food or Feed](#)

### 4 Specified Product Requirements

- 4.1 Product must be free of all cattle material prohibited from animal feed as published in *21 CFR Part 589 - Substances Prohibited from Use in Animal Food or Feed*. Prohibited materials include the following:
  - a) the entire carcass of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE)-positive cattle;



- b) the brains and spinal cords from cattle 30 months of age and older;
- c) the entire carcass of cattle not inspected and passed for human consumption that are 30 months of age or older from which brains and spinal cords were not removed;
- d) tallow that is derived from BSE-positive cattle;
- e) tallow that is derived from other materials prohibited by this rule that contains more than 0.15 percent insoluble impurities; and
- f) mechanically separated beef that is derived from the materials prohibited by this rule.

## 5 Shipping Documentation

- 5.1 Shipping documentation is not required when conforming product is delivered to an onsite rendering facility that is in conjunction with the harvest or processing facility and is included in the facility's approved QSA S-CMPAF Program.
- 5.2 Shipping documentation is required when conforming product is delivered to an offsite rendering facility that is not in conjunction with the harvest or processing facility.
  - 5.2.1 Identification of conforming product during shipment and delivery must be documented on the shipping documentation (bills of lading, shipping manifests, or letters of guarantee). The shipping documentation must:
    - a) Clearly identify the product and product quantity; and
    - b) Contain the following statement: "Product meets QSA Program requirements for production of CMPAF-free bovine inedible raw materials."
- 5.3 Shipping documentation is required when conforming product is delivered to a facility for inclusion in animal feed and/or pet food.
  - 5.3.1 Identification of conforming product during shipment and delivery must be documented on the shipping documentation (bills of lading, shipping manifests, or letters of guarantee). The shipping documentation must:
    - a) Clearly identify the product and product quantity; and
    - b) Contain the following statement: "Product meets QSA Program requirements for CMPAF-free bovine inedible raw materials."



## 6 Listing of Approved Programs

Only U.S. companies that have an approved USDA QSA Program for S-CMPAF are listed on the *Official Listing of Approved Companies to the QSA Program for S-CMPAF*. The Official Listing is available on the [USDA Segregation of Cattle Material Prohibited from Animal Feed website](#).

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