



Certificate of Authenticity
Beef and Veal
Regulation (EC) No 620/2009

Exporter (name and address):

Certificate No. _____

Consignee (name and address):

Issuing Authority: USDA, Food Safety and Inspection Service

Means of Transport: _____

<u>Marks, numbers, number and kind of packages, description of goods</u>	<u>Gross Weight (kg)</u>	<u>Net Weight (kg)</u>
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Net weight (in words): _____

Certification by the issuing authority:

I hereby certify that the beef described in this certificate complies with the specifications shown overleaf.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Place: _____

Date: _____

Stamp:



Certificate number: _____

1. Beef cuts are obtained from carcasses of heifers and steers less than 30 months of age which have only been fed a diet, for at least the last 100 days before slaughter, containing not less than 62 % of concentrates and/or feed grain co-products on a dietary dry matter basis that meet or exceed a metabolisable energy content greater than 12.26 mega joules per one kilogram of dry matter.
2. The heifers and steers that are fed the diet described in point 1 shall be fed, on average, no less than 1.4 % of live body weight per day on a dry matter basis.
3. The carcass from which beef cuts are derived are evaluated by an evaluator employed by the national government who bases the evaluation, and a resulting classification of the carcass, on a method approved by the national government. The national government evaluation method, and its classifications, must evaluate expected carcass quality using a combination of carcass maturity and palatability traits of the beef cuts. Such an evaluation method of the carcass shall include, but not be limited to, an evaluation of the maturity characteristics of colour and texture of the longissimus dorsi muscle and bone and cartilage ossification, as well as an evaluation of expected palatability traits including a combination of the discrete specifications of intramuscular fat and firmness of the longissimus dorsi muscle.'
4. The cuts shall be labelled in accordance with Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000.
5. The indication "High Quality Beef" may be added to the information on the label.

Signature of FSIS Official: _____