Clarification of Export Procedures for Certifying Product

(FSIS Form 9290-1 is to be used for all meat and poultry exports to Japan. However, the procedures set forth below apply specifically to beef and beef product exports to Japan.)

1. Establishment(s) must be on the AMS QSA LT-30 Japan list.

2. Plant management must certify in Block 14 on the export application (FSIS 9060-6) that "Product meets all of the QSA LT-30 Program requirements for Japan", and provide specific consignment details which includes product identification information, production date, number of boxes, and the manufacturer.

3. Product must be derived from cattle slaughtered on or after the approval date on the AMS list.

4. Complete FSIS Form 9060-5, Meat and Poultry Export Certificate of Wholesomeness, completely and accurately. Be sure to mark check box for the red meat ante- and postmortem certification statement.

5. Complete FSIS Form 9290-1, Certificate for Export to Japan, completely and accurately.
   a. Slaughter establishment information must be included in Block 5 for all products.
   b. Cutting establishment information must be included in Block 6.
   c. Packing date (month/day/year) must be included in Block 7. Range of dates is acceptable.
   d. Block 8, Name and Address of Manufacturing Plant. Indicate “See Block 6” because information is already provided in Block 6.
   e. Slaughter date (month/day/year) must be included in Block 9 by the slaughter establishment or the immediate fabricator for exported fresh or frozen muscle cuts and/or offal items. Range of dates is acceptable. The slaughter date must be on or after the approval date on the AMS list.
   f. Block 10. Indicate “Food Safety and Inspection Service”
   g. Other blocks are self-explanatory.

6. FSIS Form 9290-1, additional procedures for processed beef products:
   a. If needed, a Continuation Sheet is available for additional establishments not fitting into Blocks 5 and 6 of FSIS Form 9290-1
   b. If not applicable, put “N/A” in Block 6. Do not leave blank.
   c. Manufacture date for final producing establishment must be included in Block 7
   d. Manufacturing plant information for final producing establishment must be included in Block 8
   e. For all processed beef product exports, “N/A” should be entered in Blocks 9 and 10