



United States
Department of
Agriculture

Food Safety
and Inspection
Service

Washington, D.C.
20250

Letterhead Certificate for Beef and Beef Products to Japan

Date Issued: _____ Certificate Number: _____

1. Cattle slaughtered for the production of the exported beef to Japan (hereinafter referred to as “the slaughtered cattle”) have been born and raised only in the USA, or legally imported from Canada, or legally imported from one of the following third free countries recognized by the Japanese animal health authorities as eligible to export beef and beef products to Japan: Hungary, Iceland, Mexico, Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Dominican Republic, Chile, Northern-Mariana Islands, New Zealand, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, and Australia.
2. The slaughtered cattle were not suspect or confirmed BSE cases, or cohorts of BSE cases, as defined in the Terrestrial Animal Health Code adopted by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE).
3. The exported beef or beef products to Japan were produced by eligible meat establishments and fulfilled all of the requirements of the USDA Less than 30 Months Age Verification Quality System Assessment (QSA) Program for Japan.
4. The beef and beef products will be produced and handled in a manner to prevent contamination with any causative agents of animal infectious diseases.

Signature of FSIS Inspection Official: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title/Professional Degree: _____