



United States
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Agriculture

Food Safety
and Inspection
Service

Washington, D.C.
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**Letterhead Certificate for the Export of Beef and Beef Products to Hong Kong
Slaughtered on or after June 17, 2014**

Date Issued: _____ Certificate Number: _____

1. The beef or beef products exclude mechanically separated beef, products from advanced recovery system, lean finely textured beef, scrap meat, trimmings or other pieces (whether with or without bone) indistinguishable from trimmings.
2. The feeding of ruminants with meat and bone meal and greaves derived from ruminants has been banned and the ban has been effectively enforced.
3. The beef or beef products were neither derived from nor contaminated with the following specified risk materials: the brain, skull, eyes, trigeminal ganglia, spinal cord, vertebral column (excluding the vertebrae of the tail, the transverse processes of the thoracic and lumbar vertebrae, and the wings of the sacrum), and dorsal root ganglia of cattle 30 months of age and older, and the tonsils and distal ileum of any cattle regardless of age.
4. The cattle from which beef or beef products were derived were not subjected to a stunning process, prior to slaughter, with a device injecting compressed air or gas into the cranial cavity or to a pithing process.
5. The beef or beef products were derived from cattle that passed ante-mortem and post-mortem inspection. The beef or beef products were derived from cattle that were slaughtered under official supervision in FSIS-inspected establishments. The beef or beef products were derived from cattle free from systemic contagious, infectious and parasitic disease at the time of slaughter.
6. The beef or beef products were produced in accordance with the FSIS National Residue Program, which ensures that the product is free of harmful residues.
7. The United States has been evaluated and classified by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) as a country with a negligible-risk status for bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE).

Signature of FSIS Veterinarian: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title/ Professional Degree: _____