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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

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FROM: OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, DIRECTOR

TO: ALL CONCERNED

SUBJECT: GUIDELINES ON THE TEMPORARY ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF FREE STATUS ON AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (ASF) TO FACILITATE UNHAMPERED DELIVERY OF SAFE PORK AND HEALTHY ANIMALS TO TARGET DESTINATION

Pursuant to the Department of Agriculture Administrative Circular No. 12 Series of 2019 (National Zoning and Movement Plan for the Prevention and Control of ASF), and the restricted movement and closure of establishments and offices due to the declaration of Enhanced Community Quarantine due to CoViD-19 as per Proclamation Nos. 929 and 922 Series of 2020 and Republic Act 11332, the Certificate of Free Status for African Swine Fever (CFS-ASF) issued by the Department of Agriculture as a requirement in the local transport for live pigs shall be required provided **ALL** of the following requirements are complied with, to wit:

1. Swine farms that have submitted samples for ASF testing in 2020:
 - a. The farm has tested **NEGATIVE** for ASFv at BAI Animal Disease Diagnosis and Reference Laboratory (ADDRL), Regional Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory (RADDL), or BAI-Accredited Laboratories and has been issued with Certificate of Free Status on African Swine Fever (CFS-ASF) by BAI or the DA Regional Field Office (DA RFO);
 - b. Weekly ASF Negative Disease Report issued by the farm veterinarian with concurrence of the local government veterinarian, or DA RFO veterinarian (*see Annex 1*);
2. Swine farms with no previous or recent ASF laboratory tests must submit samples for testing at BAI ADDRL, RADDL, or BAI-Accredited Laboratories and yield **NEGATIVE** for ASFv.

The Certificate of Free Status on African Swine Fever (CFS-ASF) shall be **valid for seven (7) days** upon its date of issuance.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately until revoked into writing.

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