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Export Notice 2004-4, FSIS Form 9135-3 – Export Procedures

For Export of U.S. Product to Canada

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has informed FSIS that copies of FSIS Form 9135-3 are being received that do not carry the USDA seal in the lower left hand corner of the certificate.

Effective December 1, 2004, these certificates will no longer be considered valid export documents and CFIA will not pre-verify shipments by exporters submitting these forms.

FSIS Administrative Services Division has an abundant supply of the correct version of the Form 9135-3. Earlier this year, the form was printed without the seal and copies of the forms were inadvertently distributed. Inspectors should make every effort to obtain copies of the correct version as soon as possible.