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CERTIFICATION OF INEDIBLE ANIMAL PRODUCTS

FSIS provides certification services under the Agricultural Marketing Act, 7 U.S.C. 1622 and 1624. These services are available only for livestock and poultry products specifically identified by FSIS in 9 CFR 351, *Certification of Technical Animal Fats for Export* and 9 CFR 355, *Certified products for dogs, cats, and other carnivora; inspection, certification, and identification as to class, quality, quantity, and condition*. FSIS is not authorized to provide such services under the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) or the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA). Moreover, FSIS is not authorized to provide certification services for any non-food animal products.

Therefore, FSIS personnel are not to perform certification services for any products other than those specifically identified in 9 CFR 351 and 355. If establishments or businesses request certification services for inedible animal products not specifically identified in FSIS regulations, such as inedible livestock hides, FSIS program employees are to refer the establishment or business to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Veterinary Services, Import and Export Products Staff at (301) 734-3277 to arrange for the service and obtain the necessary forms.

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