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**BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY**  
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**TO : ALL CONCERNED**

**FROM : OFFICER-IN-CHARGE  
DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT : REQUIREMENTS UPON RELEASING RABIES VACCINES**

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In the interest of the service, all requests for rabies vaccines from the BAI shall be coordinated with the respective **Department of Agriculture Regional Field Office (DARFO) through the Regional Animal Health/ Rabies Coordinators**. The following shall be required by the BAI for all vaccine requests:

- 1. Letter request from the DA Regional Field Office, or letter request from LGU with prior approval from their DARFO;**
- 2. Liquidation report of the previously issued vaccines of the BAI, and vaccination report of the previous year (2018);**
- 3. Complete and comprehensive vaccination and program plan for rabies freedom by 2019/ 2020 (using the prescribed form).**

Because of the limited inventory of animal rabies vaccines available at the Bureau of Animal Industry for 2019, with less than 900,000 doses available against the estimated total 10 million dog population of the Philippines, only a limited allowance were given per Region to be distributed.

With this, all Regional Rabies Coordinators were instructed to prioritize the release of vaccines to LGUs with a serious, solid, and clear vision/plan for rabies freedom by 2019 and 2020, supported by complete documentation on how this will be accomplished including their LCEs commitment. Strict monitoring of vaccines used and regular reporting is hereby required.

We also encourage LGUs to purchase their own rabies vaccines when possible, to augment the possibility of BAI/DARFO unable to provide their request because of the limited vaccine inventory.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

  
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