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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

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SUBJECT : REITERATION OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR FARM CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Republic Act (RA) 8485 or the "Animal Welfare Act of 1998", as amended by RA 10631, which aims to promote and protect the welfare of all animals in the country, all animal facilities shall be registered with the Bureau of Animal Industry. Department of Agriculture Administrative Circular No. 4 Series of 2015 provides the guidelines on the process of registration of animal facilities.

To strengthen the Food Safety Regulatory System in the country, RA 10611 or the "Food Safety Act of 2013" mandates BAI as one of the regulatory agencies for the enforcement of food safety standards and regulations in the primary and post harvest stages of food derived from animals including eggs and honey, while improving the existing guidelines related to the movement of animals, animal products and by-products, regulation and monitoring of animal facilities and enhancing the value of livestock commodities.

Hence, this Circular reiterates that **ONLY animal facilities registered with BAI** (formerly known as *Animal Welfare Certification*) shall be deemed certified as inspected and monitored by the veterinary authorities, certifying the animal facilities' compliance to animal health and welfare policies and shall be issued with **Animal Disease Monitoring Compliance Certificate**, formerly known as *Farm Certification*, which is valid for six (6) months.

Done this 17th day of February 2022, at Quezon City.


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