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All Food Traders/Importers

Dear Sirs

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE IMPORT OF BEEF EXTRACT AND OTHER
FOOD PRODUCTS CONTAINING BEEF INGREDIENTS AND BEEF GELATINS**

Please be informed that with immediate effect, all food containing beef ingredients, sauce containing beef flavour, instant noodles with beef extracts, beef cube, beef juices, beef gelatine, beef extracts, food gum with beef extract and any food products with traces of beef extract from United States of America (USA) are not allowed to be imported into Singapore.

2 We would like to remind all food traders/importers that the ban of beef import from the following BSE (or commonly known as mad cow disease) affected countries is still in force viz:- UK, Belgium, France, Denmark, Ireland, Switzerland, Germany, Netherlands, Portugal, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Spain, Italy, Greece, Japan, Finland, Austria, Poland, Israel and Canada.

3 For import of any of the said beef products from non-BSE affected countries, submission of the original health certificate is required. The original health certificate must come from the Veterinary Authority of the exporting country certifying the following details:-

(a) The date and the origin of the beef extract, beef ingredients or any other beef products and,

(b) The product does not come from BSE affected countries.

4 Please note that any importer who failed to furnish the original health certificate may be prosecuted in court for infringing the Sale of Food Act.

5 Please contact Mr Ahmad Abdul Rahman at Tel: 6325 8369 or our TradeNet Duty Officer at Tel: 6325 0783 / 62215056, if you need any clarification.

Yours faithfully

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