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April 14, 2017

Dr. Jerry Torrison
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Dear Dr. Torrison:

APHIS partners with veterinary diagnostic laboratories throughout the United States to ensure there is adequate diagnostic capacity and capability for early detection of, rapid response to, and recovery from animal health emergencies. These include emerging disease and foreign animal disease (FAD) agents that threaten the Nation's food supply and public health. The Agreement for Participation in the National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN) outlines laboratory responsibilities and ensures that the responsible State and Federal officials are aware of and in agreement with laboratory requirements for participation. Each NAHLN laboratory is required to complete an agreement annually.

Your completed 2017 Agreement for Participation has been received and reviewed by NAHLN Program staff. On behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services, Veterinary Services, we would like to extend congratulations to you and the staff at University of Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory for successfully meeting the evaluation criteria and requirements for participation in the National Animal Health Laboratory Network. As indicated on the enclosed certificate, your laboratory is approved through April 30, 2018.

We appreciate your laboratory's dedication and commitment to safeguarding animal health. With your support and collaboration, we will continue to strategically move the NAHLN forward.

Sincerely,

Christina M. Loiacono
Acting NAHLN Coordinator

Enclosure



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April 17, 2017

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Dear Dr. Torrison,

The 2017 *Agreement for Participation in the National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN)* has been received and processed by the NAHLN Program Office.

The University of Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in St. Paul will maintain approval for the following disease programs:

Disease Program	Assay
African Swine Fever (ASF)	PCR
Avian Influenza / Newcastle Disease (AI/ND)	PCR
Classical Swine Fever (CSF)	PCR
Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD)	IHC
Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD)	PCR
Pseudorabies (PRV)	ELISA (gB/g1)
Scrapie	IHC
Swine Influenza virus (IAV-S)	PCR (matrix, subtyping), VI, sequencing
Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia (VHS)	PCR, VI

The Minnesota Poultry Testing Laboratory in Willmar will maintain approval for the following disease programs:

Disease Program	Assay
Avian Influenza / Newcastle Disease (AI/ND)	PCR

NAHLN Program Staff, in consultation with representatives from VS National Animal Health Program and Policy Staff and the National Veterinary Services Laboratories, reviewed individual requests for disease agent approval and determined the following related to the Minnesota Poultry Testing Laboratory request:

Swine Influenza virus (IAV-S) – Not accepted for approval

It was determined that the Minnesota Poultry Testing Laboratory will not be approved to participate in the IAV-S program. Currently, VS is not approving additional NAHLN laboratories for swine testing and surveillance. Individuals that have completed and passed the 2017 IAV-S proficiency test will be eligible to conduct testing in the St. Paul laboratory only.

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