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Dr. Robert A. Myers / Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
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1770 Ashland Avenue
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Tuesday, May 28, 2019

Dear Dr. Robert A. Myers:

Your USDA Veterinary Permit 128287 to import and/or transport controlled materials, organisms and vectors accompanies this cover letter.

Your USDA Veterinary Permit to import and/or transport controlled materials, organisms, or vectors accompanies this cover letter.

Review this permit carefully, as the statements and language may have changed to reflect the requirements of newly published regulations.

Please note the following:

- Review the import permit for errors. Should you identify any errors, please contact our office immediately
- A copy of the permit must accompany every shipment.

Do Not send the permit back to this office.

USDA Veterinary Permits no longer require a signature. Use of the permit for importation of the described commodity(ies) is acknowledgement that the permittee is legally responsible for complying with the permit conditions.

For frequently asked questions, permit process and updates, visit: www.aphis.usda.gov/animal-health/organisms-vectors . Contact our office with any questions or concerns by email at: ov@aphis.usda.gov or telephone at 301-851-3300, option 3.

Sincerely,

Deborah L. Dufficy



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Dr. Deborah Dufficy
Senior Staff Officer
Organisms and Vectors, and Select Agents
National Import Export Services

re: application number 19144061

PERMIT NUMBER
128287
Research

DATE ISSUED
07/21/2019

DATE EXPIRES
07/21/2020

**UNITED STATES VETERINARY PERMIT FOR IMPORTATION
AND TRANSPORTATION OF CONTROLLED MATERIALS AND
ORGANISMS AND VECTORS**

NAME AND ADDRESS OF SHIPPER(S)

Various shippers within the
UNITED STATES

CC:
Service Center, MD (Albany, NY)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE INCLUDING ZIP CODE AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

Dr. Robert A. Myers
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U.S. PORT(S) OF ARRIVAL
TRANSPORT PERMIT

MODE OF TRANSPORTATION ANY

AS REQUESTED IN YOUR APPLICATION, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO IMPORT OR TRANSPORT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS

1. Inactivated organisms and/or their derivatives including DNA/RNA
2. Parasitic and fungal agents known to cause human disease
3. Mycobacterium species
4. Zoonotic Rickettsia species and other zoonotic tick-borne agents
5. Zoonotic foodborne pathogens
6. Bacterial pathogens (including excluded bacterial select agents)
7. Rabies, pox viruses, West Nile virus, and Western equine encephalitis virus
8. Isolates, DNA, RNA, and derivatives of low pathogenicity avian influenza viruses H5 and H7 subtypes, excluding H7N9

RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS FOR TRANSPORTING AND HANDLING MATERIALS AND ALL DERIVATIVES

THIS PERMIT IS ISSUED UNDER AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN 9 CFR CHAPTER 1, PARTS 94.95 AND 122. THE AUTHORIZED MATERIALS OR THEIR DERIVATIVES SHALL BE USED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS SPECIFIED BELOW (ALTERATIONS OF RESTRICTIONS CAN BE MADE ONLY WHEN AUTHORIZED BY USDA, APHIS, VS).

- o **Adequate safety precautions shall be maintained during shipment and handling to prevent dissemination of disease.**
- o With the use of this permit I, Robert A. Myers, Permittee, acknowledge that the regulated material(s) will be imported/transported within the United States in accordance with the terms and conditions as are specified in the permit. The Permittee is the legal importer/recipient [as applicable] of regulated article(s) and is responsible for complying with the permit conditions. The Permittee must be at least 18 years of age and have and maintain an address in the United States that is specified on the permit; or if another legal entity, maintain an address or business office in the United States with a designated individual for service of process; and serve as the contact for the purpose of communications associated with the import, transit, or transport of the regulated article(s). **Note: Import/Permit requirements are subject to change at any time during the duration of this permit.
- o ***Materials shall be consigned directly to the permittee address specified above.

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TO EXPEDITE CLEARANCES AT THE PORT OF ENTRY, BILL OF LADING, AIRBILL OR OTHER DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING THE SHIPMENT SHALL BEAR THE PERMIT NUMBER

SIGNATURE Deborah Dufficy

Deborah L. Dufficy

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Organisms and Vectors Permitting
National Import Export Services

NO. LABELS

RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS: (continued from Permit Form VS 16-6)

- ***Each shipment shall be accompanied by an ORIGINAL signed document from the producer/manufacturer confirming that the material is of U.S. origin. [This certification must CLEARLY correspond to the shipment by means of an invoice number or shipping marks or lot number or other identification method.]
 - This permit DOES NOT allow transport of any agents: 1) exotic to the United States; 2) originating from outside the United States; or 3) Select Agents or nucleic acids as regulated under 9 CFR 121.
 - Transported material is for DIAGNOSTIC AND PUBLIC HEALTH PURPOSES ONLY (i.e. serotyping, antigenic characterization, sequencing, and other genetic characterization of the agent).
 - This permit DOES NOT authorize direct or indirect exposure of or inoculation into laboratory and domestic animals, including poultry, cattle, sheep, swine, horses, etc. Work shall be limited to IN VITRO uses only.
 - Packaging, containers, and all equipment in contact with the imported products shall be sterilized or considered a biohazard and must be disposed of accordingly.
 - Work with the permitted materials shall be performed in accordance with the condition requirements described in this permit. Subsequent distribution to another state is prohibited without prior authorization of APHIS (in the form of Transport permit, written correspondence, or reference to applicable no import permit required guideline). Any change in use, treatment, disposal, and distribution within the state may require approval from the state and/or local government.
 - This permit does not exempt the permittee from responsibility for compliance with any other applicable federal, state, or local laws and regulations.
 - A copy of this permit must be included with the shipping documents.
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