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To : **ALL CONCERNED VETERINARY ESTABLISHMENTS**

Subject : **LICENSING OF VETERINARY ESTABLISHMENTS**

Drugs as defined in RA 3720, are articles intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in man or animals. A.O. 56 mandates the licensing of drug establishments. The Bureau of Food and Drugs (BFAD) had been licensing all Drug (human and veterinary) Manufacturers/Traders/Importers until a Memorandum of Agreement with Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) was entered into in 1991.

The Memorandum of Agreement has transferred some of the regulatory functions of BFAD to BAI such as licensing of establishments engaged in the manufacture, distribution and sale of veterinary products; while BFAD continued to evaluate and register veterinary drugs in pharmaceutical dosage forms except veterinary biologicals and drugs intended for premixes, water soluble supplements and animal feeds. The agreement stipulates “until such time when BAI has developed its capability for evaluation and testing of veterinary products.”

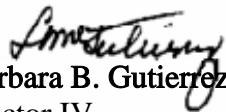
However, BFAD and BAI reviewed the current set-up and agreed that the following shall be adapted.

- Licensing of Veterinary Drug Manufacturers, Traders and Importers of pharmaceutical dosage forms shall be licensed with the Bureau of Food and Drugs starting January 15, 2007.
- Only Veterinary Drug Manufacturers, Traders and Importers shall be licensed by BFAD while BAI shall continue to license to Outlets.

- Companies with existing License to Operate (LTO) with BAI will continue to be valid until its expiration in 2007 but will no longer be renewed at BAI; therefore initial application for LTO shall be lodged with BFAD Regulation Division II for Manufacturers /Traders and Regulation Division I for Importers.
- Companies that manufacture and/or import products intended for premixes, water soluble supplements (to be mixed to animal feeds) and animal feeds shall continue to be handled by BAI.
- Companies handling veterinary drug products both in premixes and pharmaceutical dosage forms shall secure licenses from BFAD and BAI.

Regulations pertaining to product registration will continue as agreed by BFAD and BAI specified in the appropriate circulars issued.

For guidance and information.

  
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