Wednesday, February 23, 2022

Dear Dr. Arun K. Dhar:

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:

- 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.
- 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.

Contact our office with any questions or concerns at apie@usda.gov or 301-851-3300, option 4.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Susan Collins
Veterinary Program Examiner
Animal Product Import and Export (APIE)
CURRENT TRENDS SHAPING APHIS/APIE AND THE IMPORT PERMIT PROCESS.

HAVE A SHIPMENT ON-HOLD? PLEASE VISIT OUR REVAMPED ON-HOLD SHIPMENT WEBSITE FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE On Hold - Shipment Notification Application (for Animal Products and By-Products)
UNITED STATES VETERINARY PERMIT FOR IMPORTATION AND TRANSPORTATION OF CONTROLLED MATERIALS AND ORGANISMS AND VECTORS

PERMIT NUMBER
133214
Research

DATE ISSUED
03/14/2022
DATE EXPIRES
03/14/2023

NAME AND ADDRESS OF SHIPPER(S)
Various shippers outside the UNITED STATES

CC:
Service Center, AZ (Albuquerque, NM)
FWS (Arlington, VA)

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE INCLUDING ZIP CODE AND TELEPHONE NUMBER
Dr. Arun K. Dhar
The University of Arizona
Animal and Comparative Biomedical Sciences
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520-621-8727

U.S. PORT(S) OF ARRIVAL
AS APPLICABLE

MODE OF TRANSPORTATION
ANY

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

1) Live crustaceans, crustacean tissue samples, and/or crustacean DNA infected with but not limited to White Spot Syndrome Virus, Infectious Hypodermal and Hematopoietic Necrosis Virus, Spawner Mortality Virus, Decapod Iridescent Virus, Spiroplasma penaei, Taura Syndrome Virus, Yellow Head Virus, Infectious Myonecrosis Virus, Gill Associated Virus, Penaeus vannamei Nodavirus, Laem-Singh Virus, Mourilyan Virus, White Tail Disease, Covert Mortality Nodavirus, Baculovirus penaei, Monodon Baculovirus, Hepatopancreatic Parvo Virus, Vibrio spp, Vibrio parahaemolyticus causing Acute Hepatopancreatic Necrosis Disease/Early Mortality Syndrome, Enterocytozoon hepatopenaei, Necrotizing hepatopancreatitis, Aphanomyces astaci, Macrobrachium rosenbergii Nodavirus
2) Probiotics presumed infected with organisms listed in #1

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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, Dr. Arun K. Dhar, 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.

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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
Scott Epperson

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APHIS Veterinary Services

NO. LABELS

VS FORM 16-6A (MAR 95) Replaces VS Form 16-3A and 16-28 which are obsolete
MATERIALS (continued from Permit Form VS 16-6)

3) water treatment agents presumed infected with organisms listed in #1

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

- Materials shall be consigned directly to the permittee address specified above.

- Each shipment shall be accompanied by an ORIGINAL document from the producer confirming that the exported materials: 1) materials in #1 were collected from farm-raised or wild-caught crustaceans and 2) no materials have not been exposed to any other animal origin materials prior to export. [This certification must CLEARLY correspond to the shipment by means of an invoice number or shipping marks or lot number or other identification method. An English translation must be provided.]

- 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.

- Imported product, packaging, containers, and all equipment in contact with the imported products shall be sterilized or considered a biohazard and must be disposed of accordingly.

- Imported material may be subject to regulations enforced by the United States Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS). Importer must contact FWS, information is available at web pages http://www.FWS.gov/permits/ and/or http://www.FWS.gov/le/travelers.html

- It is incumbent upon the permittee to uphold proper biosafety procedures and protocols to protect human and animal health as per institutional policy and recommendations published in Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories, current edition.

- This permit authorizes the transport of these organisms into your quarantine research facilities.

- Imported articles (including hand-carried material) may be subject to regulations enforced by US Customs and Border Protection (CBP). Please visit their website: http://cbp.gov/biologicals.

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

- Work with the permitted material 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 an interstate transport permit, written correspondence, or reference to an applicable guideline for no import permiit required). Any change in use, treatment, disposal, and distribution within the state may require approval from the state and/or local government.

- The restrictions on this permit remain in force as long as the material is in the United States.

- 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. For imported materials, these documents must be presented to CBP Agricultural Specialists upon arrival at the U.S. port of arrival.

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