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U.S. Live Cattle Market Access in Peru

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Report Highlights:

On July 15, 2015, Peru's Chief Veterinary Officer in SENASA approved the Health Certificate for the import of U.S. live cattle into Peru. APHIS subsequently published the document on the USDA website (see the link below). This market opening was the result of regulatory cooperation between SENASA and APHIS, supported by the U.S. Embassy in Lima and the offices of FAS and APHIS through their engagement with senior Government of Peru authorities. The Peruvian dairy industry has strong demand for U.S. dairy cows in the near future to meet milk production needs.

General Information:

Peru's Chief Veterinary Officer approved the Health Certificate for the import of U.S. live cattle into Peru on July 15, 2015. On July 20, 2015, APHIS published the document on the USDA website. This market access progress was announced on April 23, 2015, in Washington following meetings there between USDA's Marketing and Regulatory Program and the Peruvian Ministry of Agriculture, but technical engagement ensued over several months. The Peruvian dairy industry has strong demand for U.S. dairy cows in the near future to meet milk production needs. Peru also requires testing for bluetongue upon entry into the country, following a period of post-entry quarantine. Here is the link to the documents on the APHIS website:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/downloads/pe_vehcs_ihc_co_breeding_cattle15_.pdf

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