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Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi Dated the 15th September, 2011

To Ms. Ramita Kumar Consular and Administration Manager, New Zealand High Commission, Sir Edmund Hillary Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi - 110021.

Subject: New Zealand Dairy Certificate for export of milk to India. Sir.

Please refer to the MAF letter dated 1st September, 2011 from Mr. Bill Jolly, Manger, Import and Export Food, on the above subject. The New Zealand dairy certificate issued on 2.09.2011 containing the following clauses is acceptable:

General Condition

- a) If the milk product contains animal rennet, the product has been labelled accordingly b) The source animals have never been fed with feeds produced from internal organs, blood meal and tissues of ruminant origin.
- Sanitary Information 1). The milk has been processed to make it fit for human consumption
- 2) The milk has been processed to a temperature, which ensures destruction of organisms causing tuberculosis, listeriosis, paratuberculosis, Q-fever and brucellosis.
- 3) The animals from which the milk has been derived were not subjected to the exposure of Bovine Growth Hormones (BGH) or Bovine Somatotropin Hormones (BST).
- 4) The source animals were not subjected to estrogenic treatment for the last 90 days 5) The milk does not contain drug/pesticides/heavy metal residues above the limits prescribed by Codex Alimentarius Commission.
- 6) The Milk/Milk products do not contain preformed bacterial toxin levels such as those produced by bacteria belonging to Staphylococcus aureus, Bacillus cereus; Clostridium perfringens and Clostridium botulinum and mycotoxin levels, above the Ilmits prescribed by the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

Additional clause:

- f) Where anhydrous milk fat/butter oil is certified herein, the product conforms to the following standards:-
- i. Free Fatty Acid as Oleic acid(maximum of 3%)
- ii. Peroxides value (0.3 mill eq. of oxygen per kg)Maximum of 0.8 Maq /Kg.
- iii) The shelf life of the product is not less than 1 year.
- iv. The product will have at least 60% of 1 year of shelf life remaining at the time of its arrival at the Indian port.

The sequence of the clauses kept above is as per the sequence in the Indian health certificate. A copy of the export certificate dated 02.09.2011 is also enclosed for ready reference.

> Yours sincerely. (B. Prashanth Kumar) Director

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