Subject: Quality System

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in response to your request for information regarding the Quality Assurance Program of Kansas State Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory (KSVDL).

1. KSVDL is an American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians (AAVLD) accredited laboratory. This accreditation is to assist laboratories to meet or exceed the standards of the Office International des Epizooties (OIE) as described in the OIE Quality Standard and Guidelines for Veterinary Laboratories: Infectious Disease and Guidelines for Veterinary Laboratories and ISO17025 Standards. We are also member of the National Animal Health Laboratory Network. A copy of the AAVLD license has been enclosed for your records.

2. As per requirements for accreditation, tests methods offered by KSVDL are validated. The entire test development and evaluation process is designed to meet the principles outlined in the OIE Manual of Standards for Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines. By ensuring the test development processes and test evaluations procedures are sound, this insures that KSVDL testing is a true and accurate result.

3. KSVDL participates in external proficiency testing program, whenever possible as well as developing in-house proficiency testing. These programs provide for assessment of the laboratories proficiency by providing unknown samples for assay. Each laboratory blindly conducts analysis on the samples and results are evaluated either by correlating of results with other laboratories or internally with other personnel or methodology.

4. Pathology systems are supervised by an ACVP board certified pathologists. Anatomic and histopathologic reports are based on the findings and interpretation of the coordinating pathologist. All pathology investigations and examinations will be conducted or reviewed by a board certified pathologist or a board eligible pathologist.

5. The laboratory provides opinions and interpretations of reported data by qualified technicians based on experience and/or training.

6. The quality system of KSVDL has been established to formalize the quality practices employed to meet the scope, mission, and quality objectives of the laboratory. All elements of the quality system, those developed by the laboratory and those taken from outside sources, are formally documented. Policies and procedures have been implemented to assure the accuracy and reliability of testing performed.

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The American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians Accreditation Committee

certifies that

Kansas State Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory
Manhattan, Kansas

Has met the standard for
Full Accreditation / All species

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