

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FOOD SUPPLY Secretariat for Agriculture and Livestock Protection (DIPOA/SDA) Inspection Department for Products of Animal Origin (DIPOA/SDA) General Coordination Office for Inspections (CGI/DIPOA)

Circular Letter no. 004/2015/CGI/DIPOA/DAS

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To the Heads of SIPOA/SISA/SIFISA and CGI/DIPOA Divisions copied to DPB/MRE and VIGIAGRO/SDA Coordination General

Subject: Change in register data in the labelling of imported products of animal origin. This Circular Letter cancels and substitutes the Circular Letter no. 003/2015/CGI/ DIPOA

Dear Heads,

This General Coordination Office, aiming at harmonizing procedures, wishes to clarify that it has dispensed with the need to apply for label updates for existing approvals, provided that the labelling is within the period of validity confered by the Secretariat for Agriculture and Livestock Protection (henceforth DIPOA), for imported products of animal origin; considering that the producers had already complied with register updates as attested by the official notification that the DIPOA received from international sanitary authorities.

What 'register updates' mean: change of company name, change in the identification number of the establishment and change of address. It is strictly forbidden to change address in cases where a physical change of address of the producing unit happens, and it is the duty of the sanitary authority to verify this type of datum in its communications with DIPOA.

Changes validated by DIPOA shall be conveyed by means of a Circular through the Management Information System of the Federal Inspection Service (SIGSIF) in order to enable SIPOA/SISA/SIFISA(which currently analyse the requests for permissions for the importation of products of animal origin), the VIGIAGRO units (which carries out the evaluation procedures for the entry of imported products of animal origin into the domestic market) and the SIF/ER(that carries out the re-ispection procedures for imported products of animal origin) to make a full correlation of the updated data.

We should like to clarify that, from the date of publication of the present register data change Circular, the period applicable for the use of existing labels on imported products of animal origin, the data of which had already been registered and validated by the DIPOA, remains the same as per the most recent approval.

Sincerely,

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