

RESOLUTION NUMBER: 1 APPROVED

SOURCE: COMMITTEE ON Swine

SUBJECT MATTER: Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea Virus (PEDV) Certification in the United States (US) Swine Health Improvement Plan as a Step Towards National Elimination of PEDV in the US Swine Herd

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Porcine epidemic diarrhea virus (PEDV) continues to be endemic in the United States (US) swine industry. However, the prevalence in the swine breeding herd is estimated to have fallen to approximately 5-7% annually. At this level there is a limited number of herds affected annually. Effective elimination plans have been successful and are available to be used to clean up affected herds.

The US Swine Health Improvement Plan (SHIP) is an industry, state, and federal partnership that establishes national standards for safeguarding, certifying, and bettering the health of US swine and competitiveness of the US pork industry.

The United States Animal Health Association encourages the further development of the US SHIP to certify herds and mitigate the impact of any number of endemic diseases of high consequences to the US pork industry using PEDV as a model.

RESOLUTION:

The United States Animal Health Association (USAHA) recognizes the efforts of the collaborative porcine epidemic diarrhea virus (PEDV) elimination working groups recently established by the American Association of Swine Veterinarians and the National Pork Board. USAHA encourages continued exploration and potential introduction of a PEDV health status certification within the United States (US) Swine Health Improvement Plan as a step toward national elimination of PEDV in the US swine herd.