

Commission Decision of 3 August 2006 amending Annex XI to Council Directive 2003/85/EC as regards the list of laboratories authorised to handle live foot-and-mouth disease virus for vaccine production (notified under document number C(2006) 3447) (Text with EEA relevance) (2006/552/EC)

COMMISSION DECISION

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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 2003/85/EC of 29 September 2003 on Community measures for the control of foot-and-mouth disease repealing Directive 85/511/EEC and Decisions 89/531/EEC and 91/665/EEC and amending Directive 92/46/EEC<sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 67(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Directive 2003/85/EC sets out minimum control measures to be applied in the event of an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease and certain preventive measures aimed at increasing the awareness and preparedness of the competent authorities and the farming community concerning that disease.
- (2) The preventive measures set out in Directive 2003/85/EC include the provision that Member States are to ensure that the handling of the live foot-and-mouth disease virus for the manufacturing of either inactivated antigens for the production of vaccines or vaccines and related research is carried out only in approved laboratories listed in Part B of Annex XI to that Directive.
- (3) The competent authorities of Germany have officially informed the Commission of some changes relating to manufacturers of foot-and-mouth disease vaccines in this Member State. Germany has renewed the necessary security guarantees for the laboratory situated on its territory.
- (4) For security reasons it is important to keep the list of laboratories authorised to handle live foot-and-mouth disease virus for vaccine production in Directive 2003/85/EC updated.

- (5) Accordingly, it is necessary to replace the list of laboratories authorised to handle live foot-and-mouth disease virus for vaccine production in Part B of Annex XI to Directive 2003/85/EC by the list set out in the Annex to this Decision.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

In Annex XI to Directive 2003/85/EC, Part B is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Decision.

*Article 2*

This Decision shall apply from 3 July 2006.

*Article 3*

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 3 August 2006.

*For the Commission*

Markos KYPRIANOU

*Member of the Commission*

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## ANNEX

In Annex XI to Directive 2003/85/EC, Part B is replaced by the following:

### LABORATORIES AUTHORISED TO HANDLE LIVE FOOT- AND-MOUTH DISEASE VIRUS FOR VACCINE PRODUCTION

<b>Member State where laboratory is situated</b>		<b>Laboratory</b>
<b>ISO-code</b>	<b>Name</b>	
DE	Germany	Intervet International GmbH, Köln
FR	France	Merial, S.A.S., Laboratoire IFFA, Lyon
GB	United Kingdom	Merial, S.A.S., Pirbright Laboratory, Pirbright
NL	Netherlands	CIDC-Lelystad, Central Institute for Animal Disease Control, Lelystad

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- (1) [OJ L 306, 22.11.2003, p. 1](#). Directive as amended by Commission Decision 2005/615/EC ([OJ L 213, 18.8.2005, p. 14](#)).