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TO:

Rodeo/Bucking event managers and bucking bull owners (This letter

replaces the letter on this subject previously sent out June/July 2013.)

SUBJECT:

UPDATE ON BUCKING BULL EXEMPTIONS TO QUARANTINE

ORDER 132 – BOVINE TRICHOMONIASIS (Clarification/ Exemption for

Rodeo/Bucking Events and Bulls)

The Hawaii Department of Agriculture Quarantine Order No. 132 – Bovine Trichomoniasis as written requires non-virgin bulls and all bulls over two years of age to be tested negative for Trichomoniasis prior to being sold, acquired, or <u>moved</u>. As written that requirement would affect bucking bulls going to rodeo/bucking events. The State Veterinarian hereby exempts the testing requirement for rodeo/bucking bulls being moved to rodeos/bucking events without Trichomonas testing when the following requirements can be met:

Bulls required to be tested negative for Trichomoniasis by Quarantine Order 132 shall be permitted by the State Veterinarian to move without testing to rodeo and bucking events so long as:

- 1. the bull(s) are not from a herd under quarantine for Trichomoniasis;
- 2. the bulls do not contact female cattle during the event including anytime between when they leave their ranch of origin and return to their ranch of origin;
- 3. a "Certificate of Livestock Ownership/Movement" (FORM DC-44) is completed and mailed into the Division of Animal Industry, 99-941 Halawa Valley Street, Aiea, HI within 7 days of the movement, and
- 4. should conditions listed in 1 or 2 not be met, bull(s) will be required to be tested negative for Trichomoniasis ten (10) days after contacting the female cattle and if conditions 1, 2 or 3 are not met the bull's owner and the associated event will no longer qualify for this specific exemption.

Information regarding Trichomoniasis and this exemption can be obtained by calling (808) 483-7106, M-F 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM.

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