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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 8, 2017

TO: Georgia Licensed and Accredited Veterinarians

FROM: Robert M. Cobb, Jr., DVM  
State Veterinarian

SUBJECT: USDA APHIS Form 7001 (United States Interstate and International Certificate of Health Examination for Small Animals)

**Effective March 1, 2018**, USDA APHIS Form 7001 (United States Interstate and International Certificate of Health Examination for Small Animals) will no longer be accepted for interstate movement in the State of Georgia.

Due to the lack of accountability and a unique identifier, the APHIS 7001 is considered unacceptable to the Department. Lack of accountability allows for unauthorized use by individuals other than licensed and accredited veterinarians. The lack of a unique identifier prevents accountability and timely animal disease traceability.

The Department will continue to accept APHIS Form 7001 for international movement provided the Form is signed by USDA and assigned a certificate number by USDA. The Department will continue to accept other Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI), electronic and paper, that meet the USAHA CVI standards as approved by the State Veterinarian. All acceptable Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) must contain all required information and have a unique identifier.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 404-656-3671 or by email at [robert.cobb@agr.georgia.gov](mailto:robert.cobb@agr.georgia.gov)