[BAI ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 16, S. 2004, August 10, 2004]

REVISED GUIDELINES FOR ESTABLISHMENT, OPERATION AND ACCREDITATION OF A LIVESTOCK "OKSYON" MARKET

WHEREAS, pursuant to "Presidential Decree 07, series of 1972" Prescribing the orderly marketing of livestock and animal products and regulations on animal feeds" It is necessary to formulate specific policies and procedures governing the flow of livestock through the various stages of marketing and the proper preservation and inspection of such products;

WHEREAS, pursuant to *Letter of Instruction No. 16, dated 30 September 1972* addressed to the Secretaries of the Department of Agriculture and Department of National Defense, Provincial Governors, City and Municipal Mayors to immediately implement the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 07 "regulate the orderly marketing of livestock and animal products"

WHEREAS, that the *Department of Agriculture Administrative Order No. 01, series of 1976*, state that the "establishment of livestock markets pursuant to P.D. 07 and Letter of Instruction No. 16, hereby ordered that all cities, municipalities, and provinces of the entire country which have existing livestock markets shall operate only upon the authorization of the Director of the BAI and the operation of all livestock markets shall be subjected to the rules and regulations as stipulated in the guidelines for the establishment and operation of the livestock markets".

WHEREAS, *Republic Act No. 7394 of 1991*, otherwise known as the "Consumer Act of the Philippines" to implement measures to achieve the objectives of protecting the consumers against hazards to health, safety and deceptive, unfair and unconscionable sales acts and practices.

WHEREAS, pursuant to *Republic Act No. 8485*, otherwise known as the "Animal Welfare Act of 1998" purpose to protect and promote the welfare of all animals in the Philippines.

WHEREAS, pursuant to *DA Administrative Order No. 28 of 2003*, "guidelines on the movement and slaughter of swine and other Foot and Mouth Disease susceptible food animals" requiring all livestock traders to secure livestock handlers license issued by Director of Bureau of Animal Industry or his duly assigned personnel prior to the issuance of shipping permit and veterinary health certificate.

WHEREAS, pursuant to *DA Administrative Order No. 32*, series of 2002 "Foot-And-Mouth Disease Control and Eradication Measures in Slaughterhouses" that livestock markets which serve as a holding area for live sales should be built away from the slaughterhouses.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LUIS P. LORENZO, JR., Secretary of Agriculture, do hereby issue this order.

SECTION 1. Objectives and Scope -

- a. To provide a centralized market with organize facilities with the use of the weighing scale, grading, price information and provide bio-security measures through various stages of marketing channels/distribution for livestock and poultry.
- b. To regulate the establishment, operation, management and accreditation of all livestock markets in the Philippines.
- c. To achieve the efficient marketing of livestock and poultry.

SECTION 2. Criteria to be Considered in Selection of Proposed Livestock Market -

- 1. A livestock producing area centrally located with good transport facilities;
- 2. A livestock market originally holding sales or pooling place;
- 3. Interest and willingness of local official in the establishment of livestock "oksyon" market;
- 4. Program of LGU's on continuous livestock production;
- 5. It must be at least 25 kilometers from the nearest accredited livestock "oksyon" markets with a different market day.
- 6. Livestock "Oksyon" market should be established away from the slaughterhouse (A.O. 32)
- 7. Availability of funds for the construction of the livestock "oksyon" market facilities.
- 8. The project site should be owned by LGU's, Cooperatives and NGO's.
- 9. Can implement the R.A. 7394 (Consumer Act) and R.A. 8485 (Animal Welfare Act)

SECTION 3. Requirements for Accreditation -

1. The Local Government Units, Cooperatives and other interested Non-Governmental Organizations shall provide the following:

a. Resolution Letter - the city/municipal, cooperative and NGO shall pass a resolution letter that they are interested in LOM establishment and

willingness to support the program of the Department of Agriculture.

If cooperatives, NGO's and other private parties are interested to establish an LOM in the area, they shall bind/waive an agreement with the city/municipal government that the LGU is not interested to put a livestock "oksyon" market.

- b. Benchmark Information shall be submitted together with the resolution letter. This information is vital in the evaluation of proposed livestock "oksyon" market.
- c. Site the project site shall be owned by the LGU, Cooperative or the NGO's and at least 1/2 or .5 hectare with additional space/area for expansion.
- d. Facilities the interested parties shall provide the following facilities.
 - d.1 Office and scale house
 - d.2 Sheds, pens, tie rails, corrals with water and feeding troughs
 - d.3 Loading and Un-loading ramps
 - d.4 Perimeter fence for identification purposes to ensure security of the animals and better collections of fees
 - d.5 Water and lighting amenities
- e. Weighing Scale mechanical (dial) or digital weighing equipment with maximum capacity of 1 ton or 1,000 kilograms.
- f. Personnel* the interested party shall provide the following personnel.
 - f.1 Market Manager/ Livestock Market Superintendent
 - f.2 Livestock Inspector/Veterinarian
 - f.3 Livestock Grader/Weigher
 - f.4 Yardman/Helper
 - f.5 Office staff
 - f.6 Security Guard
 - *Number of personnel depends on the working load at the livestock "oksyon" market
- 2. The Bureau of Animal Industry shall provide layout, plans and design to the local government units, cooperatives and other interested nongovernment organizations thru the Department of Agriculture Regional Field Units.

be handled by the Marketing Development Division (MDD) of the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI). The Department of Agriculture Regional Field Units (DA RFUs) shall endorse/recommend the proposed project to the BAI if found feasible.

SECTION 5. Essential Requirements Before Approval of Accreditation - Prior to approval of accreditation, a team from BAI will inspect the site and facilities and see to it that the livestock market is in accordance with the facility requirements set by the Bureau of Animal Industry. The livestock market operator shall pay to the Cashier's Office, Bureau of Animal Industry the following fees:

Type of Fee	Amount		
1. Inspection Fee	P 500.00		
2. Accreditation Fee	2,000.00		

SECTION 6. Issuance of Accreditation - Before the start of operation, a tripartite agreement will be signed by the livestock market operator, the Bureau of Animal Industry and the Department of Agriculture Regional Field Units stating the responsibilities of each party during the inauguration of the livestock "oksyon" market.

SECTION 7. Renewal of Accreditation - The accreditation is valid for one (1) year only and application for renewal should be at least one (1) month prior to expiration date.

SECTION 8. Revocation of Accreditation - Accreditation may be revoked for violation of the BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY and the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE REGIONAL FIELD UNITS rules and regulations or guidelines at any time if the interest of the government so requires.

SECTION 9. Marketing and Operating Procedures -

A. Maintenance of Livestock Market Facilities

- 9.a.1 The manager shall oversee the smooth operation by maintaining the cleanliness the market.
- 9.a.2 Maintain the weighing scale in good condition.

B. Entry of the Animals (Bio-Security Measures)

- 9.b.1 The Livestock Inspector/Animal Health Officer shall inspect the animals for infectious diseases before entering the livestock "oksyon" market. Only the healthy ones will be tagged, weighed, graded and yarded to specific sheds, corral or pens while awaiting buyers.
- 9.b.2 The Livestock Inspector/Animal Health Officer or the Quarantine Officer shall verify the approved handlers license and accreditation of

transport vehicles.

- 9.b.3 All vehicles should be properly disinfected and subject for wheel bathing.
- 9.b.4 A footbath should be provided in the entrance/exit gate of the livestock "oksyon" market.
- 9.b.5 Livestock "oksyon" market should be established away from slaughterhouse (Administrative Order No. 32)

C. Suspected Sick Animals

9.c.1 The authorized Veterinarian/Quarantine/Livestock Inspector shall see to it that the suspected sick animals are properly handled/quarantined.

D. Payment of Market Charges

9.d.1 Management should see to it that livestock market charges are properly assessed and collected.

Specie Fee ¹	Entrance	Transfer Certificate	Ownership Certificate	Yardage Fee ²	Corral Fee ³	Lodging Fee ⁴
Cattle	P10.00	P30.00	P30.00	P20.00	P10.00	P30.00
Carabao	10.00	30.00	30.00	20.00	10.00	30.00
Horses	10.00	30.00	30.00	20.00	10.00	30.00
Goats	5.00			10.00	5.00	30.00
Hogs	5.00			10.00	5.00	30.00
Poultry	2.00					

- ${\bf 1}$ fees collected upon the entrance of the livestock "oksyon" market for the service rendered by the personnel
- ² for the use of the livestock "oksyon" market facilities
- $^{
 m 3}$ for the use of facilities on a daily basis
- ⁴ cost of feeds

E. Exit of the Animals (Exit gate)