**Ruminant Animal Attestation**

* To be completed by livestock operations selling or providing ruminant animals for slaughter as “organic”. Send this form with each load of animals to ensure that the organic slaughter eligible status of animals is clearly communicated to buyers, brokers, auction yards, or slaughterhouses.
* **Retain a copy of the completed form and provide a copy to the buyer, broker, auction yard, or slaughterhouse to accompany each animal.**

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| Operation Name and Code (Source): |  |
| Destination/Buyer/Broker/Slaughterhouse: |  |
| Delivery Date of Animals: |  |

1. **Animal Details**

List the ear tag number(s) of each delivered animal below. If the place of delivery assigns its own tracking number to each animal, you mustalso document the new number assigned as “Alternate ID” below. If additional space is needed, you may attach a list that clearly notes which animals are eligible for organic slaughter.

1. Attach current organic certificate and profile that lists organic animals. [ ]  Attached.
2. Describe your system to visually identify animals eligible for organic slaughter status *(e.g. “slaughter eligible animals are identified by an unnotched yellow ear tag”*):

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1. The following animals in the delivery **qualify** as organic slaughter stock, as they have been:
2. Managed organically from their last third of gestation **and**
3. Never treated with synthetic parasiticides.

| **Ear tag no.** | **Alternate ID** |  | **Ear tag no.** | **Alternate ID** |  | **Ear tag no.** | **Alternate ID** |  | **Ear tag no.** | **Alternate ID** |
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1. The following animals in the delivery **do not qualify** as organic slaughter stock. Examples include:
2. Animals transitioned to organic or otherwise not managed organically from the last third of their gestation
3. Animals treated with materials prohibited for organic slaughter stock such as synthetic dewormers.

| **Ear tag no.** | **Alternate ID** |  | **Ear tag no.** | **Alternate ID** |  | **Ear tag no.** | **Alternate ID** |  | **Ear tag no.** | **Alternate ID** |
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**B. Livestock Owner Statement**

**I attest that the animals described in #3 above as organic slaughter stock meet all requirements for USDA organic slaughter stock, including continuous organic management starting no later than the last-third of gestation and no use of synthetic parasiticides (i.e. dewormers), including fenbendazole or moxidectin:**

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| Signature of livestock owner | Printed Name  | Date |