BELIZE:

## STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

No. 46 of 2007

REGULATIONS made by the Minister responsible for Agriculture and Fisheries in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 86 (1) (tt) and (2) of the Belize Agricultural Health Authority Act Chapter 211 of the Laws of Belize Revised Edition 2000 - 2003, and all other powers thereunto him enabling.

(Gazetted 28th April, 2007.)

1. These Regulations may be cited as the

Short title.

## BELIZE AGRICULTURAL HEALTH AUTHORITY (SWINE FEVER STATUS) REGULATIONS, 2007.

2. In these Regulations

Interpretation.

"Act" means the Belize Agricultural Health Authority Act;

CAP. 211.

"Authority" means the Belize Agricultural Health Authority established under the Act;

CAP. 211.

"Swine Fever" includes Classical Swine Fever and African Swine Fever.

3. It is hereby declared that Belize is free from the disease Swine Fever.

Declaration of pest free area.

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Further declaration.

- 4. In compliance with international guidelines, and to maintain Belize free from Swine Fever, it is hereby further declared that
  - (a) Swine Fever is a notifiable disease;
  - (b) vaccination against swine fever is prohibited;

CAP. 211.

(c) the Veterinary Administration of the Authority shall exercise all or any of its powers conferred under the Act in dealing with pigs in Belize.

Prohibition.

- 5. (1) No person shall feed swill to pigs unless the swill has been treated, in conformity with international procedures, to destroy any Swine Fever virus that may be present.
- (2) Any person who contravenes sub-regulation (1) and causes or contributes to an outbreak of Swine Fever commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars or to imprisonment not exceeding two years or to both fine and imprisonment.

Commencement

6. These Regulations shall come into force on the 17th day of April, 2007.

MADE by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries this 17th day of April, 2007.

Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries

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