(Unofficial Translation)

NOTIFICATION OF THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH
RE: LIST OF PATHOGENS INTENDED TO BE CONTROLLED UNDER SECTION 18 (NO. 2)
B.E. 2562 (2019)

Since a report showed that the African swine fever virus has caused porcine epidemic diarrhea which has severely affected the entire swine industry and the epidemic has spread to Europe, Africa, and Asia in six countries consisting of the People Republic of China, Mongolia, the People's Republic of Korea, the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, the Kingdom of Cambodia, and the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Thailand is at high risk for facing the epidemic.

African swine fever virus is a virus that does not cause disease in humans but creates severe epidemic in swine. Currently, there is no vaccine to prevent and control the disease. The virus is highly resistant in swine products and in the environment. Swine that have recovered will become disease carriers for the rest of their lives. It is, therefore, expedient to increase the control and monitoring of such disease.

By the virtue of Section 5 paragraph one and Section 6 (1) and Section 18 of the Pathogens and Animal Toxins Act B.E. 2558 (2015), the Minister of Public Health hereby issues the notification following the advice of the Pathogens and Animal Toxins Committee as follows:

Clause 1 The V-2-0003 pathogen code in the attachment to the Notification of the Ministry of Public Health Re: List of Pathogens Intended to be Controlled under Section 18 B.E. 2561 (2018) shall be repealed and replaced with the following:

Codes	Pathogens	Group	Pathogenicity	Additional information
Virus				
V-3-0003	African swine fever virus	3	Animal	Permit operations only in the laboratories of the Department of Livestock or laboratories approved by the Pathogens and Animal Toxins Committee with the advice of the Department of Livestock.

Clause 2 This notification shall come into force on the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Notified on the 31st day of October B.E.2562 (2019)
Anutin Charnvirakul
Minister of Public Health

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