



To: Allied Poultry Industry

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From: Roger Dudley, Deputy State Veterinarian, NPIP OSA

Re: Salmonella Pullorum Testing

The Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA) is aware of the limited availability of Salmonella Pullorum stained antigen used to conduct the Rapid Whole Blood Plate Test for Pullorum Disease. The producers of the antigen have indicated new material may be available sometime this June or July. They continue to seek the necessary licensing to produce and distribute the product.

Pullorum testing requirements in Nebraska will remain in effect. NDA has a small amount of antigen available for testing however NDA will prioritize PT testing until the antigen's expiration date: (June 22, 2019) or new antigen becomes available. Please contact NDA field staff or office ahead of time to ensure NDA has time to assess the priority needs. There are alternative tests available for Salmonella Pullorum that can be utilized if testing is needed and NDA is unable to do the testing. UNL Veterinary Diagnostic Lab as well as other NPIP Authorized Labs are able to conduct the alternate tests. You will need to contact the laboratory for specific information.

Contact the NDA office (402) 471-2351 or roger.dudley@nebraska.gov if you have any questions.

Thank You.