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I will sell your hardwood boards on consignment. I will p/u, store inside, advertise, sell & mail you a check. Lanc. Co. 717-341-6619.

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Free 5 emus two and three years old. You must pick up. Chester Co. 610-323-2872.

King's tractor will be at rough & tumble w/new & used tractor parts. Aug. 13-16th what do you need? Free delivery. 717-529-4066. 8-8:30AM.

USDA Publishes Agricultural Internet Marketing Guide

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The USDA recently announced the release of a new publication designed to assist agricultural producers in marketing their products via the Internet. "How To Direct Market Farm Products on the Internet" provides basic information to farm direct marketers who are interested in selling their products online or

using a Web site to publicize their farm or products.

"For agricultural producers, the internet can help solve problems of time, distance and location in marketing their products," said A.J. Yates, administrator of USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service. "We are working to provide the tools to help level the playing field for agriculture and rural communities by providing technological solutions and technological support."

Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman also announced that USDA will expand efforts to bring farmers, rural residents and businesses greater access to improved telecommunication technology through the financing of more than \$1.4 billion in loan and loan guarantees to rural telecommunications providers.

The number of Internet users shopping online has skyrocketed in recent years. Of the estimated 168 million Internet users 16 years of age and older in the U.S., approximately half say they shop online.

"How To Direct Market Farm Products on the Internet" is available in print and on the Internet at www.ams.usda.gov/tmd/MSB/msb.htm. For more information or to obtain a copy of the publication, contact Errol Bragg, USDA AMS TMP, MSB, Room 2646 S, Stop 0269, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250; phone (202) 720-8317; fax (202) 690-0031; email: Errol.Bragg@usda.gov.

NCBA Encourages Producers To Maintain Safety Vigilance

Supports Food Safety Initiatives Under 'Operation Liberty Shield'

DENVER, Colo. — Beef producers should exercise caution and maintain vigilance against introduction of foreign animal diseases during this time of heightened U.S. security, according to the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA).

Cow/calf producers, feedlot and stocker operators, market managers and employees and others should be aware of the increased risk during time of war, and be prepared for emergencies.

Eric Davis, NCBA president and a beef producer from Bruneau, Idaho, says the industry's capability of securing its borders was tested during the European BSE and foot and mouth crises in 2001 and it performed admirably. Producers and others must maintain their high level of alertness to protect the U.S. cattle herd and beef supply.

"Our producers know what safeguards are needed, but should be especially watchful today as threats against this country are made," says Davis.

"It isn't enough to conduct business as usual' even when procedures in the business are careful and well-thought-out. We support the administration's efforts under 'Operation Liberty Shield', and are prepared to do what is necessary to make it successful."

After last week's announcement of Operation Liberty Shield, which is the U.S. government's domestic campaign to increase U.S. security and readiness, NCBA participated in a conference call hosted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Veterinary Services to inform stakeholders of the increased threat level, increased security measures that will be in place

across USDA and APHIS, and urging increased awareness and biosecurity by producers.

John Maas, extension veterinarian at the University of California at Davis and chairman of the NCBA Animal Disease Research Subcommittee, reminds producers to follow these guidelines:

- Security extends to your telephone. Exercise caution if you are asked for information about your security procedures. Verify the identity of anyone who asks you for information, and the purpose for which it is intended.
- Know who is on your property at all times.
- Require visitors to change their shoes and clothing before coming onto your property from another farm or ranch.
- Be particularly alert to:
 - Sudden, unexplained animal deaths in the herd.
 - Severe illness affecting a high percentage of animals.

• Blistering around an animal's mouth, nose, teats or hooves.

- Unusual ticks or maggots.
- Staggering, falling or central-nervous system disorders.

Immediately report anything unusual to your veterinarian, local law-enforcement authorities and your state animal health office. Post emergency numbers where all family members and employees have access. These numbers should include local law enforcement, local FBI, your veterinarian, and state animal health official.

Davis notes that in the summer of 2001 NCBA distributed one million brochures on foot and mouth disease and bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) to beef producers.

The brochure can be accessed on the beef industry's Website at <http://www.fmdinfo.org/documents/ACF7D1.pdf>.



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