


PRESENTATION
TO

ANIMAL TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE

2005 Calgary Conference



CURRENT ID PROGRAMS

- **In 2001**, the CCIA and CFIA established the Canadian Cattle Identification Program (CCIP) supporting regulatory framework for CCIP is incorporated into the *Health of Animals Regulations*
- **In 2002**, Agri-Traçabilité Québec (ATQ) was created with a primary mandate to implement livestock identification and tracing systems for the beef, sheep and pork sectors by 2005.
- **In 2004**, the CFIA amended the *Health of Animals Regulations* to establish a national mandatory identification program for ovine animals.



- CCIA is currently in its Phase 3 developments which includes
 - Age verification
 - Premises Allocator
 - Premises database
 - RFID
- ATQ – collects information




Approach to Regulations

- The federal government approach to date, has been to implement regulatory change to the Health of Animals Act on a species-by-species basis, as different livestock producer groups have developed and endorsed national identification requirements for their species



CLIA - BACKGROUND

- During 2003, the Board of Directors of CCIA proposed that the CLIA be created and that all species of food animals be included
- The vision of the CLIA is to create an overarching Canadian livestock identification initiative that would oversee further development and delivery of species-specific animal identification and traceability programs.

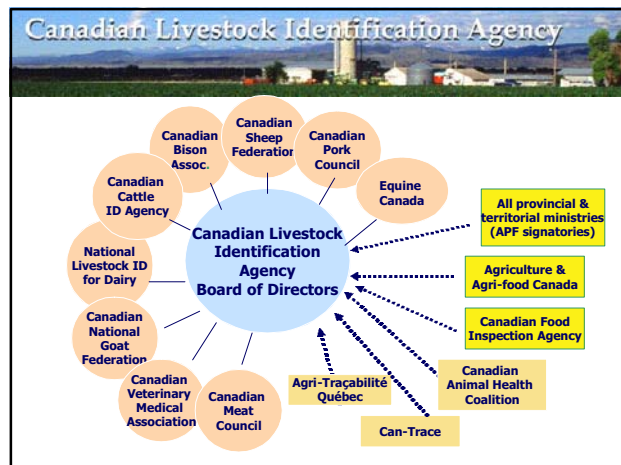


- With funding and support from the Fed Gov started operations with the creation of
 - a board of directors,
 - the development of a membership structure and by-laws.
- In Feb 2005 the CLIA was incorporated as a not-for-profit organization and has opened an office in Calgary.

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CLIA Structure

- The structure of the CLIA represents both industry and government at the table, and enfranchises industry to “control its own destiny” in the development of a national system for ID & traceability for all livestock in Canada



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Mission

- To ensure Canada has an efficient national animal identification system that supports the financial viability of the nation’s livestock and food animal industries by:
 - Minimizing the impacts of a foreign animal disease
 - Reinforcing our domestic and export market access
 - Improving the competitiveness of Canada’s food animal industries

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CLIA - OBJECTIVES

- To provide for the development, administration and maintenance of a national multi-species database for livestock identification, traceability and livestock premises identification
- To develop national standards and minimum criteria for multi-species Identification and traceability for species in Canada.
- To provide a platform (forum) for discussions and policy development on livestock identification and traceability for animal health emergency management and food safety


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- On the 17 & 18 May, The CLIA is holding a Strategic planning workshop, for member organizations and stakeholders, to identify and prioritize the steps needed to achieve these objectives.

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Current Initiatives

- Creation of working groups to develop multi-commodity, national guidelines
 - Premises Identification and Geo-Referencing
 - Standards & National Performance Targets Strategy
 - Regulations, System Compliance and Integrity Strategy
 - Communications
 - Lot / Group Identification and Traceability




Premises Working Group

- Provided recommendations to the CLIA Board, November 2004
 - Premises definition.
 - Investigate 'conveyance' – mobile premises
 - Data collection, access & privacy
- Strategy and Business Plan
 - Details possible approaches in the registration, characterization and geo-referencing processes.




- The premises WG Provided recommendations to the CLIA Board, November 2004 – these included
 - Premises definition.
 - A recommendation to Investigate 'conveyance' as mobile premises
 - Data collection, access & privacy
- A second phase to this WG – **THE PREMISES TASK FORCE** was initiated in December 2004 and has almost completed a Strategy and Business Plan
 - This plan Details possible approaches in the registration, characterization and geo-referencing processes as well as outlines a potential business model for a National Premises Repository.



Premises Definition

- *"A premises is a parcel of land associated with a legal description or geo-referenced coordinates on which or on any part of which animals regulated under the Health of Animals Regulations are kept, assembled or disposed of."*




- A corner stone of the development of the National Premises repository is the definition of a livestock premises.
- This definition, based on land parcels is
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Group / Lot Working Group

- *Objective*
 - Identifying how group identification facilitates traceability.
 - Make an overview of approaches taken by our trading partners and Canadian livestock and poultry sectors
 - Identify under which conditions group identification and traceability can be used
 - Develop national standards for group identification to facilitate traceability:



- The report from the Group / Lot WG is almost complete. It is expected that the report will be finalized at the next meeting of this WG on the 9th of June.
- The recommendations will be presented to the June meeting of the CLIA Board

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Regulations, System Compliance and Data Integrity

- *Objective*
 - To provide evaluate current industry and government methods used to ensure data integrity in livestock ID systems. This includes identification of inter-provincial regulations and enforcement, challenges and issues.
 - Provide recommendations on a national regulatory and enforcement strategy over the next five year for both government and industry.

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- The Regs sys Comp and Data Int WG has contracted a consultant, Serecon Consulting from Edmonton to complete the initial investigation and provide a detailed report of the current industry and government methods used to ensure data integrity in livestock ID systems. This includes identification of inter-provincial regulations and enforcement, challenges and issues.
- This report together with recommendations from the WG on the next steps will be presented at the June BoD meeting.

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Standards & National Performance Targets

- *Objective*
 - Analysis current models & options for standards & performance targets both domestically & internationally.
 - Provide recommendations to CLIA stakeholder groups on appropriate performance standards and targets for a Canadian multi-species traceability system.

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- The Standards & National Performance Targets WG has contracted a consultant, Scott Wolfe Consulting from Winnipeg to develop a comprehensive reference document to enable the W Group to develop policy recommendations regarding the national performance standards and targets for a Canadian multi-species traceability system.
- The final report and recommendations on next steps will be presented at the June BoD meeting.

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Conclusion

- Traceability is a reality in the future of the livestock industry. It will have an impact on all stakeholders.
- The animal transport industry will become an important participant in the efforts to collect animal movement information.

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