



Pennsylvania Department of  
**AGRICULTURE**  
LIVESTOCK EVALUATION CENTER

June 2, 2016

**Dear Goat Testing Participants:**

We are currently planning for the annual Performance Tested meat Goat Buck sale to be held on August 6, 2016. We are extending an invitation to all participants in the Buck Testing program to nominate **does** for this sale. We are asking each participant or past participants to nominate at least **2 or 3 does**, if possible, to make this sale more attractive to prospective buyers. In addition to the live auction at the facility, this year's sale will also have an internet portion to the sale to allow for online bidding.

Does born between September 1, 2014 and August 31, 2015 will be considered yearlings and does born September 1, 2015 and later will be considered as a junior class. The does may be either bred or open. Any person selling a bred doe that doesn't kid will refund 20% of the purchase price to the buyer. Remember, please consign does that **you** would be willing to purchase. There is a demand for quality does.

Registration papers **must** be delivered with the does on sale day. All Does **must** have **Scrapie identification**. Each animal **must** also be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (**health chart**) signed by an accredited veterinarian, stating that the heard of origin has been inspected and is free of **any** infectious and/or contagious diseases. Since some surrounding states require TB and Brucellosis testing for goats, does should be negative to a TB and Brucellosis test conducted within 30 days of the date of the sale. If this is not done, goats will not be eligible for interstate sale to those states. The attending veterinarian will inspect all does when they are delivered to the Livestock Evaluation Center.

The enclosed nomination form is self-explanatory. Please remember that we need your nomination by **July 1, 2016** to be entered in the sale catalog, and any late entries are asked to please call prior to the sale. All does must be delivered to the sale site by 10:00 AM on August 6, 2016 in order to be ready for the **1:00 PM** sale.

If you have not already done so, please forward registration papers for **all your** bucks on test. Any buck that we don't receive papers for prior to the sale **will not be sold!**

We once again are hosting the Sheep and Goat producer's field day, in conjunction with the Ram, Ewe and meat goat Buck and doe sale. We have some interesting topics on this year's agenda. If you have any suggestions on topics you would like addressed please contact us.

I am requesting your assistance in promoting this sale and field day by encouraging fellow goat breeders to attend. If any of you know of someone we should be sending a sale catalog to, please give us a call. If we all work diligently, we can continue the success of future sales at the Livestock Evaluation Center. Once again, if you have any questions, or concerns, please feel free to contact the sales office.

Sincerely,  
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