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FAS Berlin Releases Pet Food Valued at USD 210000

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Report Highlights:

FAS Berlin secured the release of five containers of pet food from a South Carolina pet food company destined for the Czech Republic. The shipments were held due to concerns with the corresponding health certificate. With Post's intervention the issues were resolved and the five shipments, valued at USD \$210,000, were released.

General Information:

FAS Berlin was contacted in August 14 by APHIS regarding five shipments of pet food from South Carolina which were being held by authorities due to concerns regarding certification. According to the German authorities, the accompanying health certificates were not in compliance with German and EU import regulations. Post handled the situation without certificates having to be reissued and avoiding a potentially lengthy delay and expensive demurrage as the shipment was released just one day later, on August 15.

Thanks to Post's intervention, the \$210,000 shipment was released by the German authorities.