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ASF outbreak confirmed at the pork production facility in Lipetsk region

Moscow, Russia - September 19, 2016 - Company reported an ASF breakout at the sow farm in Lev Tolstovskiy district of the Lipetsk region.

African Swine Fever (ASF) was confirmed at the sow farm "Novochemodanovskoye" in the Lev Tolstovskiy district of the Lipetsk region. A small number of sows were diagnosed with it. Preliminary examinations were conducted at the company's research laboratory and on the same day the virus was confirmed by the local government's veterinary services. Thanks to the timely detection and identification of the exact location, all infected animals were isolated. The virus does not pose any threat to people.

The company swiftly formed a crisis center to monitor the situation. The information has been shared with the representatives of Rosselkhoz nadzor and other government officials. Meanwhile, the sow farm that houses 6% of the company's sows was quarantined. Such action will not have any effect on the current year's production volume and the company's other pork production sites are operating under normal conditions.

The company has always devoted extra attention to biosafety standards. In 2016 alone, total investment into biosafety of its facilities came close to 300 million rubles. Infrastructure, technology and safety regulations at all the company's facilities adhere to the highest Russian and international safety standards.

The Group is investigating the cause of virus penetration as there had been a record number of ASF outbreaks in the Lipetsk region this year, posing a significant risk for pork production facilities at both local and national levels. Preventive measures at government level are necessary. President Vladimir Putin has ordered that an action plan be developed by the end of the month aimed at eradicating the virus.

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About Cherkizovo Group

Cherkizovo Group is the largest meat and feed producer in Russia. The Group is a top-3 producer in the poultry, pork and processed meat markets and is the largest feed manufacturer in the country.

Cherkizovo Group encompasses 8 full cycle poultry production facilities, 15 modern pork production facilities, 6 meat processing plants, 9 feed mills and more than 140,000 hectares of agricultural land. In 2015, Cherkizovo Group produced more than 825,000 tons of meat products.

Thanks to its vertically integrated structure, which includes grain growing and storage, feed production, livestock breeding, fattening and slaughtering, and meat processing, alongside a distribution system, the Group has consistently delivered stable, long-term growth of both sales and revenue. The Company's consolidated revenue reached RUB 77.0 bn in 2015.

Cherkizovo Group shares are traded on the London Stock Exchange (LSE) and on the Moscow Exchange (MOEX).

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