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Italy

Post: Rome

Release of Detained Pet Food Shipments to Italy

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Report Highlights:

FAS Rome secured the release of a detained shipment in Genoa, Italy of a U.S. Grains Company pet food shipment valued at approximately \$ 78,000.

General Information:

Italian Ministry of Health Authorities at the port of Genoa detained a shipment of U.S. Grains Company (Global Pet) Pet Food. Accompanying product certification was incomplete and required a corrected copy of the health certificate to be issued by USDA due to a minimal percentage of dairy ingredients in the product mix. Post in coordination with AMS, FAS/W, Italian Ministry of Health authorities was able to assist the U.S. exporter obtaining a new export certificate and the release of the detained shipment.

Following FAS Rome’s intervention, Italian authorities released the detained shipment valued at approximately \$ 78,000.

Country	Est. Trade Value	Product HS code	Description of Problem/Action
Italy	\$78,000	Pet food <u>HS230990</u>	Genoa – September 2012.