

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

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FOR-PROFIT FARM OPERATIONS PARTICIPATING IN THE
NEW YORK STATE CATTLE HEALTH ASSURANCE PROGRAM

Federal Funds for Johne's Disease Control

The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets announces the availability of \$500,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service to fund a competitive grant program to assist farmers participating in the New York State Cattle Health Assurance Program (NYSCHAP) with adopting management practices to control the spread of Johne's Disease. The Department of Agriculture and Markets has issued a Request for Proposals inviting farm operators that are participants in NYSCHAP to submit proposals for implementing strategies to control Johne's Disease on their farm. Applicants must have completed an original NYSCHAP herd plan or an annual review within 14 months prior to deadline for submission of proposals. Proposed projects must address some or all of the Johne's Disease control needs identified by the farm's NYSCHAP Herd Plan. The project should facilitate a long-term (multi-year) improvement in management which will result in better Johne's Disease control by addressing one or more of the goals set in the farm's NYSCHAP herd plan. Total grant funding for any individual farm shall not exceed \$4,000. Proposals will be accepted through April 6, 2004.

For a copy of the Request for Proposals contact: Dr. Jeffrey Huse, One Winners Circle, Albany, NY 12235, (518) 457-3502, Jeffrey.Huse@agmkt.state.ny.us or visit the department's website at www.agmkt.state.ny.us.

