



Alabama Beef Cattle Improvement Association

40 County Road 756 • Clanton, AL 35045 • 205-646-0115

September 1, 2010

Dear Alabama BCIA Members and Alabama Cooperative Extension Agents:

Enclosed you will find the guidelines and nomination forms for the 22nd Annual Alabama BCIA EPD Bull and the BCIA Genetic Verified Heifer Sale to be held on Saturday, February 19, 2011 at 11:00 am at Montgomery Stockyards in Montgomery. **Please note that this a move to a Saturday sale date!**

The birth date range for this year's sale has been widened to market bulls born from September 1, 2008 to December 31, 2009. This will allow for marketing bulls from 2 ½ years old to 14 month old bulls to meet buyer demand. Please refer to the sale guidelines for changes in delivery weight requirements.

Also please take note of Alabama BCIA's continued policy regarding genetic defects. Alabama BCIA also encourages all consignors to test their animals for any genetic defects as directed by their respective breed association. The genetic defect status of animals to be sold in BCIA sales will be checked by contact with the respective breed association by the sale coordinator prior to the sale. Any known carriers or potential carriers of a genetic defect will be noted by announcement in the sale catalog, sale supplement sheet, or vocally from the sale block for full disclosure.

Please also review the enclosed birth date and weight chart to find the minimum delivery weight of bulls by birth date. This chart will allow you to monitor your bull's growth to insure meeting the delivery weight requirements for the sale and avoiding rejection. **Also, documentation of the semen evaluation and scrotal measurements, either by the BCIA BSE Form or the Society for Theriogenology form, must be presented when bulls are delivered at the sale site.** A premise id number from the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries (or from the resident state department of agriculture for out-of-state consignors) is also required for nomination of all bulls and is voluntary for heifers.

The Alabama Youth BCIA Bull Sale will again be a part of the EPD Sale this year. Any interested youth need to contact Bob Ebert at (334) 844-1563 or myself at the BCIA Office by November 1, 2010. Requirements are very similar to the EPD bulls, with the recommendation of being halter-broke. I would like to encourage the youth to participate in this event for this has been a very positive feature of the sale in the past years.

BCIA will again offer the BCIA Genetic Verified Commercial Heifer Sale as part of this event. This sale will target open heifers with genetic documentation, group age, and source information. A complete list of nomination guidelines and forms are included in this packet.

The nomination deadline for this sale is November 1, 2010. All nomination information should be in to the BCIA office by the deadline of November 1. Withdrawals will be allowed until January 15, 2011 without forfeiting entry fees. After January 15, entry fees will not be refunded. **Bulls and heifers should arrive at Montgomery Stockyards on Friday, February 18, 2011 between 8 AM and 3 PM.** Please call me if you have any questions about the 2011 EPD Bull and BCIA Genetic Verified Heifer Sale.

Sincerely,

Michelle F. Elmore
Extension Animal Scientist/
Beef Cattle Improvement

2011 ALABAMA BCIA "EPD" BULL SALE GUIDELINES

•Entry deadline November 1, 2010•

1. Consignors must be an active Alabama BCIA member.
2. All bulls must be registered with a recognized breed association & have EPD's listed for 3 of the 4 traits published in the catalog. EPD Traits: birth, weaning, maternal and yearling. **All bulls must have a minimum adjusted weaning weight of 525 lbs for nomination. Birth and weaning weights are required to be reported at nomination to meet minimum weights and yearling weights are highly recommended to be reported for publication in the catalog.**
3. **Age Range – September 1, 2008 through December 31, 2009.**
4. The deadline to consign bulls to this sale is **November 1, 2010.** The nomination items need to be in to my office (40 Co Rd 756 Clanton, AL 35045) by November 1, 2010 for each bull you plan to sell:
5. **Withdrawals will be allowed until January 15, 2011 without forfeiting entry fees. After Jan 15, no entry fees will be refunded. Substitutions will be accepted, by an established consignor up to the original number of consignments, until February 1, 2011. After February 1, 2011 no substitutes will be accepted.**
6. **The \$100.00 entry fee per bull is a refundable fee (provided the bull arrives at the sale & is sold).** The sale cost will include: 4% of the announced selling price, 1% auctioneer fee, fixed cost of catalog, transfer fees, Beef Promotion & a prorated charge for all other cost to include advertising, labor, and barn rent.
7. Each **out of state bull** on delivery, **must have a current valid interstate health certificate** (with lot number and tattoo) indicating freedom from brucellosis (bangs) **(This only applies to out of state bulls).** Out of state bulls from a certified & accredited herd still require an interstate health certificate. In order to comply with state and federal laws currently in effect regarding tuberculosis, brucellosis, & interstate shipment of breeding cattle, you should consult your veterinarian and discuss this matter.
8. **A minimum scrotal circumference of 32 cm is REQUIRED for all bulls selling.** The **Consignor** is responsible for having each bull's semen evaluated **prior** (within 60 days) of the sale. **Documentation by the use of the BCIA BSE Form or the Society of Theriogenology form of the evaluation & scrotal measurements must be presented at the time of delivery to the sale if bulls are to be sold in this sale.**
9. Every bull selling is guaranteed to be a breeder by the consignor for a period of six months following the sale.
10. **Bulls born from Sept 08-Dec 08 must weigh at least 1,700 lbs. For 2009 born bulls, Jan-Feb must have a WDA of 2.0 lbs, born Mar-Apr must have a WDA of 2.1 lbs, born May-June 2.2, born July-Aug 2.3, born Sept-Oct 2.4, and born Nov-Dec 2.5 or greater to sell in the sale. 5% shrink will be applied to all bulls at delivery. Bulls not meeting the delivery weight requirements will be rejected from the sale at sale delivery when weights are taken and calculated. Please see the enclosed chart for minimum weights.**
11. **Sale order will be determined by EPD percentiles for each bull within breed for calving ease or birth, weaning, yearling, and milk.** The within breed EPD index will be calculated using an individual bull's EPD & referencing the corresponding percentile for the listed 4 traits with the formula:
EPD Index=100-(CE/BW+WW+YW+Milk)/4. Breed rotation will be determined by the number of each breed represented.
12. **Bulls should arrive at Montgomery Stockyard, in Montgomery, Friday, February 18th, 2011 from 8:00AM until 3:00PM.** Each bull must be ear tagged with both his lot visual tag and electronic tag before arrival. Both tags will be provided by BCIA. A state premise id number is also required.
13. **Consignors or their designated representative will be required to remain on the premises during sale processing until their bulls or heifers are weighed and penned to verify animals meeting minimum weights and to assist in processing.** Labor will be provided by BCIA or by requested consignors. If you send your bulls, **please make certain that feed and feeding instructions are given to the sale management.** Each pen has water.
14. A veterinarian will be on call for problems arising after delivery and for health papers after the sale.
15. All consignors of bulls to this sale agree to abide by the sale rules and guidelines and to all conclusions and decisions of the sale management.
16. BCIA reserves the right to limit the number of consignments to this sale. BCIA also holds the right to reject animals on the grounds of health concerns and being unsound from the sale. Sale capacity will be 130 total nominated bulls, in this priority order, Alabama, southeast region, and then national consignors
17. Consigned bulls remain the property of the owner until sold in the auction ring. Neither the BCIA, auctioneer, Montgomery Stockyard nor any other representative associated with this sale shall assume any liability, legal or otherwise.

**2011 EPD Bull Minimum Delivery Weights
(All Weights Reflect 5% Shrink)**

****Bulls Born from 9/01/08 to 12/31/08 Must Weigh At Least 1,700 lbs****

Birth Date	WDA	Min. Wt.	Birth Date	WDA	Min. Wt.	Birth Date	WDA	Min. Wt.	Birth Date	WDA	Min. Wt.
01/01/09	2.0	1478	02/21/09	2.0	1381	04/13/09	2.1	1349	06/03/09	2.2	1306
01/02/09	2.0	1476	02/22/09	2.0	1379	04/14/09	2.1	1347	06/04/09	2.2	1304
01/03/09	2.0	1474	02/23/09	2.0	1378	04/15/09	2.1	1345	06/05/09	2.2	1302
01/04/09	2.0	1473	02/24/09	2.0	1376	04/16/09	2.1	1343	06/06/09	2.2	1300
01/05/09	2.0	1471	02/25/09	2.0	1374	04/17/09	2.1	1341	06/07/09	2.2	1298
01/06/09	2.0	1469	02/26/09	2.0	1372	04/18/09	2.1	1339	06/08/09	2.2	1296
01/07/09	2.0	1467	02/27/09	2.0	1370	04/19/09	2.1	1337	06/09/09	2.2	1294
01/08/09	2.0	1465	02/28/09	2.0	1368	04/20/09	2.1	1335	06/10/09	2.2	1292
01/09/09	2.0	1463	03/01/09	2.1	1434	04/21/09	2.1	1333	06/11/09	2.2	1290
01/10/09	2.0	1461	03/02/09	2.1	1432	04/22/09	2.1	1331	06/12/09	2.2	1287
01/11/09	2.0	1459	03/03/09	2.1	1430	04/23/09	2.1	1329	06/13/09	2.2	1285
01/12/09	2.0	1457	03/04/09	2.1	1428	04/24/09	2.1	1327	06/14/09	2.2	1283
01/13/09	2.0	1455	03/05/09	2.1	1426	04/25/09	2.1	1325	06/15/09	2.2	1281
01/14/09	2.0	1454	03/06/09	2.1	1424	04/26/09	2.1	1323	06/16/09	2.2	1279
01/15/09	2.0	1452	03/07/09	2.1	1422	04/27/09	2.1	1321	06/17/09	2.2	1277
01/16/09	2.0	1450	03/08/09	2.1	1420	04/28/09	2.1	1319	06/18/09	2.2	1275
01/17/09	2.0	1448	03/09/09	2.1	1418	04/29/09	2.1	1317	06/19/09	2.2	1273
01/18/09	2.0	1446	03/10/09	2.1	1416	04/30/09	2.1	1315	06/20/09	2.2	1271
01/19/09	2.0	1444	03/11/09	2.1	1414	05/01/09	2.2	1375	06/21/09	2.2	1269
01/20/09	2.0	1442	03/12/09	2.1	1412	05/02/09	2.2	1373	06/22/09	2.2	1267
01/21/09	2.0	1440	03/13/09	2.1	1410	05/03/09	2.2	1371	06/23/09	2.2	1264
01/22/09	2.0	1438	03/14/09	2.1	1408	05/04/09	2.2	1369	06/24/09	2.2	1262
01/23/09	2.0	1436	03/15/09	2.1	1406	05/05/09	2.2	1367	06/25/09	2.2	1260
01/24/09	2.0	1435	03/16/09	2.1	1404	05/06/09	2.2	1365	06/26/09	2.2	1258
01/25/09	2.0	1433	03/17/09	2.1	1402	05/07/09	2.2	1363	06/27/09	2.2	1256
01/26/09	2.0	1431	03/18/09	2.1	1400	05/08/09	2.2	1361	06/28/09	2.2	1254
01/27/09	2.0	1429	03/19/09	2.1	1398	05/09/09	2.2	1359	06/29/09	2.2	1252
01/28/09	2.0	1427	03/20/09	2.1	1397	05/10/09	2.2	1356	06/30/09	2.2	1250
01/29/09	2.0	1425	03/21/09	2.1	1395	05/11/09	2.2	1354	07/01/09	2.3	1304
01/30/09	2.0	1423	03/22/09	2.1	1393	05/12/09	2.2	1352	07/02/09	2.3	1302
01/31/09	2.0	1421	03/23/09	2.1	1391	05/13/09	2.2	1350	07/03/09	2.3	1300
02/01/09	2.0	1419	03/24/09	2.1	1389	05/14/09	2.2	1348	07/04/09	2.3	1298
02/02/09	2.0	1417	03/25/09	2.1	1387	05/15/09	2.2	1346	07/05/09	2.3	1296
02/03/09	2.0	1416	03/26/09	2.1	1385	05/16/09	2.2	1344	07/06/09	2.3	1294
02/04/09	2.0	1414	03/27/09	2.1	1383	05/17/09	2.2	1342	07/07/09	2.3	1291
02/05/09	2.0	1412	03/28/09	2.1	1381	05/18/09	2.2	1340	07/08/09	2.3	1289
02/06/09	2.0	1410	03/29/09	2.1	1379	05/19/09	2.2	1338	07/09/09	2.3	1287
02/07/09	2.0	1408	03/30/09	2.1	1377	05/20/09	2.2	1336	07/10/09	2.3	1285
02/08/09	2.0	1406	03/31/09	2.1	1375	05/21/09	2.2	1333	07/11/09	2.3	1283
02/09/09	2.0	1404	04/01/09	2.1	1373	05/22/09	2.2	1331	07/12/09	2.3	1280
02/10/09	2.0	1402	04/02/09	2.1	1371	05/23/09	2.2	1329	07/13/09	2.3	1278
02/11/09	2.0	1400	04/03/09	2.1	1369	05/24/09	2.2	1327	07/14/09	2.3	1276
02/12/09	2.0	1398	04/04/09	2.1	1367	05/25/09	2.2	1325	07/15/09	2.3	1274
02/13/09	2.0	1397	04/05/09	2.1	1365	05/26/09	2.2	1323	07/16/09	2.3	1272
02/14/09	2.0	1395	04/06/09	2.1	1363	05/27/09	2.2	1321	07/17/09	2.3	1269
02/15/09	2.0	1393	04/07/09	2.1	1361	05/28/09	2.2	1319	07/18/09	2.3	1267
02/16/09	2.0	1391	04/08/09	2.1	1359	05/29/09	2.2	1317	07/19/09	2.3	1265
02/17/09	2.0	1389	04/09/09	2.1	1357	05/30/09	2.2	1315	07/20/09	2.3	1263
02/18/09	2.0	1387	04/10/09	2.1	1355	05/31/09	2.2	1313	07/21/09	2.3	1261
02/19/09	2.0	1385	04/11/09	2.1	1353	06/01/09	2.2	1310	07/22/09	2.3	1259
02/20/09	2.0	1383	04/12/09	2.1	1351	06/02/09	2.2	1308	07/23/09	2.3	1256

**2011 EPD Bull Minimum Delivery Weights
(All Weights Reflect 5% Shrink)**

Birth Date	WDA	Min. Wt.	Birth Date	WDA	Min. Wt.	Birth Date	WDA	Min. Wt.	Birth Date	WDA	Min. Wt.
07/24/09	2.3	1254	09/13/09	2.4	1192	11/03/09	2.5	1121	12/24/09	2.5	1000
07/25/09	2.3	1252	09/14/09	2.4	1190	11/04/09	2.5	1119	12/25/09	2.5	998
07/26/09	2.3	1250	09/15/09	2.4	1188	11/05/09	2.5	1116	12/26/09	2.5	995
07/27/09	2.3	1248	09/16/09	2.4	1186	11/06/09	2.5	1114	12/27/09	2.5	993
07/28/09	2.3	1245	09/17/09	2.4	1183	11/07/09	2.5	1112	12/28/09	2.5	990
07/29/09	2.3	1243	09/18/09	2.4	1181	11/08/09	2.5	1109	12/29/09	2.5	988
07/30/09	2.3	1241	09/19/09	2.4	1179	11/09/09	2.5	1107	12/30/09	2.5	986
07/31/09	2.3	1239	09/20/09	2.4	1176	11/10/09	2.5	1104	12/31/09	2.5	983
08/01/09	2.3	1237	09/21/09	2.4	1174	11/11/09	2.5	1102			
08/02/09	2.3	1235	09/22/09	2.4	1172	11/12/09	2.5	1100			
08/03/09	2.3	1232	09/23/09	2.4	1170	11/13/09	2.5	1097			
08/04/09	2.3	1230	09/24/09	2.4	1167	11/14/09	2.5	1095			
08/05/09	2.3	1228	09/25/09	2.4	1165	11/15/09	2.5	1093			
08/06/09	2.3	1226	09/26/09	2.4	1163	11/16/09	2.5	1090			
08/07/09	2.3	1224	09/27/09	2.4	1161	11/17/09	2.5	1088			
08/08/09	2.3	1221	09/28/09	2.4	1158	11/18/09	2.5	1085			
08/09/09	2.3	1219	09/29/09	2.4	1156	11/19/09	2.5	1083			
08/10/09	2.3	1217	09/30/09	2.4	1154	11/20/09	2.5	1081			
08/11/09	2.3	1215	10/01/09	2.4	1151	11/21/09	2.5	1078			
08/12/09	2.3	1213	10/02/09	2.4	1149	11/22/09	2.5	1076			
08/13/09	2.3	1210	10/03/09	2.4	1147	11/23/09	2.5	1074			
08/14/09	2.3	1208	10/04/09	2.4	1145	11/24/09	2.5	1071			
08/15/09	2.3	1206	10/05/09	2.4	1142	11/25/09	2.5	1069			
08/16/09	2.3	1204	10/06/09	2.4	1140	11/26/09	2.5	1066			
08/17/09	2.3	1202	10/07/09	2.4	1138	11/27/09	2.5	1064			
08/18/09	2.3	1200	10/08/09	2.4	1135	11/28/09	2.5	1062			
08/19/09	2.3	1197	10/09/09	2.4	1133	11/29/09	2.5	1059			
08/20/09	2.3	1195	10/10/09	2.4	1131	11/30/09	2.5	1057			
08/21/09	2.3	1193	10/11/09	2.4	1129	12/01/09	2.5	1055			
08/22/09	2.3	1191	10/12/09	2.4	1126	12/02/09	2.5	1052			
08/23/09	2.3	1189	10/13/09	2.4	1124	12/03/09	2.5	1050			
08/24/09	2.3	1186	10/14/09	2.4	1122	12/04/09	2.5	1047			
08/25/09	2.3	1184	10/15/09	2.4	1119	12/05/09	2.5	1045			
08/26/09	2.3	1182	10/16/09	2.4	1117	12/06/09	2.5	1043			
08/27/09	2.3	1180	10/17/09	2.4	1115	12/07/09	2.5	1040			
08/28/09	2.3	1178	10/18/09	2.4	1113	12/08/09	2.5	1038			
08/29/09	2.3	1176	10/19/09	2.4	1110	12/09/09	2.5	1036			
08/30/09	2.3	1173	10/20/09	2.4	1108	12/10/09	2.5	1033			
08/31/09	2.3	1171	10/21/09	2.4	1106	12/11/09	2.5	1031			
09/01/09	2.4	1220	10/22/09	2.4	1104	12/12/09	2.5	1028			
09/02/09	2.4	1218	10/23/09	2.4	1101	12/13/09	2.5	1026			
09/03/09	2.4	1215	10/24/09	2.4	1099	12/14/09	2.5	1024			
09/04/09	2.4	1213	10/25/09	2.4	1097	12/15/09	2.5	1021			
09/05/09	2.4	1211	10/26/09	2.4	1094	12/16/09	2.5	1019			
09/06/09	2.4	1208	10/27/09	2.4	1092	12/17/09	2.5	1017			
09/07/09	2.4	1206	10/28/09	2.4	1090	12/18/09	2.5	1014			
09/08/09	2.4	1204	10/29/09	2.4	1088	12/19/09	2.5	1012			
09/09/09	2.4	1202	10/30/09	2.4	1085	12/20/09	2.5	1009			
09/10/09	2.4	1199	10/31/09	2.4	1083	12/21/09	2.5	1007			
09/11/09	2.4	1197	11/01/09	2.5	1126	12/22/09	2.5	1005			
09/12/09	2.4	1195	11/02/09	2.5	1123	12/23/09	2.5	1002			

**Alabama BCIA "EPD" Bull Sale
February 19, 2011 – Montgomery, Alabama
Entry Deadline November 1, 2010**

BCIA HERD CODE: _____

ALABAMA (OR STATE OF RESIDENCE) PREMISE ID: _____

FARM NAME: _____

OWNER/CONTACT PERSON: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

NUMBER OF BULLS: _____

BREED: _____

NOMINATION FEE ENCLOSED (\$100.00 PER BULL): _____

Make checks payable to Alabama BCIA. **Mail entry forms and registration papers** to:
Michelle F. Elmore, Alabama BCIA, 40 Co Rd 756, Clanton, AL 35045.

I have read and understand all the rules of the 2011 EPD Bull Sale, and I agree to abide by these rules. **NOTE: Would you like to participate in the Alabama State Checkoff Program at 50¢/head? This will be in addition to the National Checkoff of \$1.00/head.**

Please indicate by marking: Yes Or No

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

Checklist to Return by November 1, 2010

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| _____ Entry form | _____ Signed registration papers |
| _____ Complete Nomination Form | _____ \$100 per bull entry fee |
| _____ Complete Footnote Information | |

Additional Footnote Information
(Please mark each tattoo number clearly for each footnote line.)

ALABAMA YOUTH BCIA BULL SALE

OBJECTIVES: 1) to provide 4-H, FFA and youth members of National Breed Associations the opportunity to further their involvement in the Alabama Purebred Beef Cattle Seedstock Industry, 2) to provide an opportunity for those youth that have developed small cowherds as a result of being involved in the Heifer Program, to “go to the next level,” and merchandise their bull progeny, 3) to encourage youth to remain involved in the beef industry at the conclusion of their 4-H/ FFA careers, 4) to encourage the expansion of knowledge about nutrition, genetics, performance of cattle on feed and animal behavior, 5) and to reap financial rewards by being able to merchandise bulls in the “2011 Alabama BCIA EPD” Bull Sale.

- 1) Open to any resident Alabama 4-H, FFA or youth member of a National Beef Cattle Breed Association.
- 2) Bulls must be registered by the National Breed Association and recorded in the ownership of the consigning youth.
- 3) Bulls will be sold as part of the “EPD” Bull sale and must meet the requirements of the Alabama BCIA “EPD” Sale, February 19, 2011, Montgomery, AL.
- 4) Bulls must:
 - Be born between the dates of September 1, 2008 to December 31, 2009.
 - Have actual birth weights
 - Have a minimum adjusted weaning weight of 525 lbs.
 - Have official Breed Association EPDs.
- 5) It is recommended that bulls be halter broken and able to be shown, with the use of a noselead.
- 6) Bulls must be weighed between September 1, 2010 and November 1, 2010 and the information recorded on the “Youth BCIA Bull Sale” entry form and submitted to Bob Ebert, 111B Upchurch Hall, Auburn University, AL 36849-5625; email, ebertra@auburn.edu; phone, 334-844-1563; fax, 334-844-1519 by November 1, 2010.
- 7) Bulls must have a the following Weight/Day/Age at the time of delivery to the Montgomery Stockyards on Friday, February 18, 2011 to be eligible to sell, according to their birth dates: Sept 1-Dec 31, 2008 bulls must weigh at least 1,700 lbs. For 2009 birth dates, January-February 2.0, March-April 2.1, May-June 2009 2.2, July-August 2.3, September-October 2.4, and November-December 2.5.
- 8) Sale order will be determined upon arrival and processing of all bulls on Friday, February 18, 2011.
- 9) To sell in the Alabama BCIA “EPD “ Sale:
 - Bulls must have current valid interstate health certificates
 - Bulls must have a minimum scrotal circumference of 32 cm
 - The consignor must guarantee the bull to be a breeder.
- 10) After November 1, 2010, other pertinent information about the sale will be forwarded from the Alabama BCIA office.

2011 ALABAMA YOUTH BCIA "EPD" BULL SALE ENTRY FORM

OWNER _____ COUNTY _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

BIRTHDATE _____ (Circle one) Male Female

Special Needs required (provide documentation): _____

GRADE for SCHOOL YEAR 2010-11 _____ SCHOOL _____

NAME OF 4-H CLUB/FFA CHAPTER/BREED ASSN _____

By entering in this program:

- 1). I agree that I will be responsible for and be the primary caretaker of the animal identified on this form.
- 2). I agree to treat my animal in a humane manner and provide for its needs using approved animal husbandry methods.
- 3). I agree that I will not use abusive, questionable or illegal techniques in managing my animal as I understand that this animal will be sold as a breeding bull and ultimately will become part of the food chain.
- 4). I agree to abide by all the rules that govern this activity as expressed in the material provided to me by my Extension agent/Agriscience teacher/volunteer 4-H leader and the Alabama BCIA.
- 5). I agree that when exhibiting and selling my animal I will use caution and care in dealing with the viewing public.
- 6). I agree that I will make my animal available for educational programs whenever I am asked to do so.
- 7). As a consignor, I agree to abide by the Alabama BCIA Sale Terms and Conditions, as published in the sale catalog.

USDA Premise ID _____ Electronic ID: YES NO

Animal ID (Tattoo) LE _____ RE _____ Breed _____

Date of Birth _____ Actual Birth Weight _____

Weigh Date _____ Weight of Bull _____ Scrotal Circumference _____

Current EPDs: Birth _____ Weaning _____ Yearling _____ Milk _____

Animal's Name _____ Registration # _____

Sire's Name & Reg # _____

Dam's Name & Reg # _____

Breeder of Animal _____

Breeder's Address _____

SIGNED _____ DATE _____
Owner/Consignor

SIGNED _____ DATE _____
Parent/Guardian

SIGNED _____ DATE _____
Extension Agent/Agriscience Teacher/Volunteer 4-H Leader

Reference Tables for Sperm Motility and Morphology

Minimum Recommended Motility is: 30% or Fair (F)		
<u>Mass Activity (Gross)</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Individual</u>
Rapid Swirling	Very Good (VG)	≥ 70%
Slower Swirling	Good (G)	50 - 69%
Generalized Oscillation	Fair (F)	30 - 49%
Sporadic Oscillation	Poor (P)	< 30%

Sperm Morphology	
Minimum Recommended Morphology is: 70% Normal Cells	
Primary Sperm Abnormalities:	Secondary Sperm Abnormalities:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Underdeveloped Double forms Acrosome defect Narrow heads Crater/Diadem defect Pear-shaped defect Abnormal contour Small abnormal heads Free abnormal heads Abnormal midpiece Proximal droplet Strongly folded or coiled tail Accessory tails 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small normal heads Giant and short broad heads Free normal heads Detached, folded, loose acrosomal membranes Abaxial implantation Distal droplet Simple bent tail Terminally coiled tail
	Other Cells:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Epithelial cells Erythrocytes Medusa formations Sperm precursor cells Round cells White blood cells

BCIA Genetic Verified Commercial Heifer Sale
Source, Age, and Genetic Verified

1. Consignors must be an active member of Alabama BCIA.
 2. Heifers must be sired by a properly registered bull that is transferred to the owner of the heifers. The registration number of the bull or bulls must be provided at consignment to the sale.
 - a. For AI sires, a receipt from the purchase of the semen and the registration # of the sire is required. If semen resulted from collection of a bull owned by the consignor, proof of semen collection of the bull is required.
 - b. For a leased herd sire, a statement for the owner of the bull including the dates of lease and the registration # of the bull is required.
 - c. Heifer calves resulting from the purchase of bred heifers will require a statement from the original owner or breeder of the bred heifer that will include the service sires registration #, breeding dates, and proof of sale to the consignor.
 3. Heifers must be born on the farm of origin.
 4. Group age must be documented (age of the oldest and youngest heifer in the sale group must be provided.) Groups of heifers are encouraged for consignment, but singles are not excluded.
 5. Minimum WDA of 1.5 lbs required at sale delivery and will be calculated on pen average with no pen of heifers having over a 90 day age span.
 6. Vaccinations recommended will be the following: (all vaccinations must be administered at least 3 weeks before sale delivery)
 - a. 7-way Blackleg (Clostridial diseases)
 - b. 5-way Leptospirosis
 - c. IBR-PI3-BVD-BRSV
 - d. Heifers must be treated for internal and external parasites prior to the sale.The above vaccines should be given twice (a primary and booster) in accordance with BQA guidelines. Either Program A: Primary vaccination 3-4 weeks before weaning and a Booster vaccination at weaning or Program B: Primary vaccination at weaning and a Booster vaccination prior to the sale.
 7. Heifers must be weaned at least 30 days prior to delivery for the sale.
 8. Heifers must have never been implanted with any growth stimulant.
 9. Open heifers will be guaranteed to be open. If any open heifers sold are found to be bred, it will be the responsibility of the buyer to notify the breeder at the first sign of pregnancy, so that the heifer can be returned to the breeder. The breeder will only consider refunding the purchase price of the heifers if they are in good condition and returned prior to calving.
- Sale will have a 2% commission for BCIA. The total commission will be 5%, which will also include 1% for auctioneer expenses and 2% for sales expenses.
 - A nomination fee of \$15.00/head will be required at consignment, which will be refunded provided the heifers arrive and are sold in the respective sale.

Sale Order: Sale order will be determined using the following information.

1. Use combination of EPDs of sire or sires as compared to the current breed average
2. WDA at delivery
3. Input from a screening committee

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- Are these heifers sired by natural (or pasture exposed) or an AI breeding program?

 If AI sired, please include a receipt of the semen purchase or semen collection with this form.

- Are these heifers sired by a bull(s) you leased? _____

If so, please include a statement from the owner of the bull detailing the dates of your lease and the registration # of the bull(s) in question.

- Did these heifers result from purchasing a bred heifer? _____

If so, please include a statement from the original owner of the bred heifer that includes the service sire(s) registration number, breeding dates, and proof of sale.

- Have the heifers been treated for internal/external parasites & vaccinated and boosted for 7-Way Blackleg, 5-way Leptospirosis & the respiratory complex IBR-PI3-BVD-BRSV? _____

- Have the open heifers been weaned 30 days or longer? _____

- Please confirm that none of the heifers have ever been implanted with any growth stimulants. _____

- Please provide any additional information for your nominated heifers or for your operation to be listed in the catalog. **Please note: The EPDs of the sire (or sires) will be listed in the catalog.**

I have read and understand all the rules of the Alabama BCIA Genetic Verified Heifer Sale, and I agree to abide by these rules. All the data that I have provided to the sale management for this sale is accurate. I understand that a copy of my cattle records needs to be available upon request.

Signature _____

Date _____

NOTE: Would you like to participate in the Alabama State Checkoff Program at 50¢/head? This will be in addition to the National Checkoff of \$1.00/head. Please indicate by marking:

Yes Or No