!! IMPORTANT!!

FROM: <u>AMERICAN BRAHMAN BREEDERS ASSOCIATION (ABBA)</u> TO ALL TEXAS 4-H & FFA YOUTH WITH INTEREST IN THE TEXAS HEIFER VALIDATION PROGRAM!

November 1, 2017 is the Deadline for exhibitors to have original registration papers in the exhibitor's name!!!

*****NOTE!! *****If you have not received your ABBA Registration Papers, but have a completed ABBA <u>"Application for Registration" or a "Registration and Transfer"</u>) AND have submitted your DNA sample for analysis you may still be in business!!!

HOW DO YOU ACCOMPLISH THIS?? By following these guidelines:

No later than end of business on November 1, 2017 - if your registration is still "pending", due to DNA Analysis not yet being completed, please provide ABBA with a copy of the "Application for Registration" or a "Registration and Transfer" as applicable) AND date you submitted the DNA sample to the lab for analysis. After submitting information to ABBA, please also contact your Supervising Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent to make them aware of the situation.

THIS INFORMATION MUST BE INCLUDED!!!

Send this information clearly marked as **"URGENT - TEXAS HEIFER VALIDATION PROGRAM INFO"** to:

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WHAT HAPPENS THEN??

ABBA will send an individual letter stating the animals name, herd ID#, owners name AND the date the DNA Sample was sent to the lab for analysis to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, stating that the registration is pending! (*This step does not guarantee your entry will be accepted past the deadline date, and only verifies to program officials what you send in to ABBA and states that the DNA Analysis has been submitted but results not yet received!!).

THE DETAILS FOR THE VALIDATION PROGRAM CAN BE FOUND AT THE FOLLOWING WEB-SITE.

https://texasyouthlivestock.com/heifer-validation/