

Conference for Food Protection – Committee Periodic Status Report

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COMMITTEE NAME: *Listeria Retail Guidelines Committee*

COUNCIL or EXECUTIVE BOARD ASSIGNMENT: *Council III*

DATE OF REPORT: *July 18, 2104*

SUBMITTED BY: *Tom Ford and Don Schaffner, Co-Chairs*

COMMITTEE MEMBER ROSTER:

see attached roster for updated member listing and Executive Board approval

committee membership has not changed; see previously submitted and approved roster dated: _

COMMITTEE CHARGE(S):

Issue: *2014 III-008*

Re-creation of the Listeria Retail Guidelines Committee. The committee will be charged to revise the "2006 Voluntary Guidelines of Sanitation Practices Standard Operating Procedures and Good Retail Practices to Minimize Contamination and Growth of Listeria monocytogenes Within Food Establishments" to include:

- 1) sanitation guidance for equipment and food establishment environments,*
- 2) good retail practices on how to prevent contamination and growth of Lm in retail establishments,*
- 3) updated outdated links to other documents, and*
- 4) information from and references to documents published by credible organizations on the topic of Lm prevention and control in food establishments.*

The Conference also recommends that the committee report its recommendations back to the 2016 Biennial Meeting with Issues to address:

- 1) the above charges, and*
- 2) recommendations that a letter be sent to FDA requesting that Annex 2 (References, Part 3-Supporting Documents) be amended by adding a reference to the revised voluntary guidelines.*

COMMITTEE'S REQUESTED ACTION FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD (If Applicable): *Approval of proposed committee members*

PROGRESS REPORT / COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES WITH ACTIVITY DATES: *Not Applicable*