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May 27, 2016

Dr. Thomas Frieden  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
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Atlanta, GA 30329

Dear Dr. Frieden:

The Conference for Food Protection (CFP/Conference) recently completed its 2016 Biennial Meeting in Boise, ID. This meeting was a great success, and I would like to personally thank you for enabling 11 CDC staff from 3 CDC national centers to participate in the meeting. This is the largest attendance ever by CDC staff and the agency's show of support is a concrete example that indeed food safety is a winnable battle.

As you are aware the mission of the Conference for Food Protection (CFP/Conference) is to promote food safety through collaboration and partnership among federal, state, and local regulatory agencies; the food industry; academia; and consumer organizations. CFP's three Councils deliberated on a total of 117 issues. Of these, the Assembly of State Delegates (a group of representatives from 44 States, the District of Columbia, and the territory of Guam) accepted 116 of the councils' recommendations. There was one Issue that required action by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

As described in the Conference Procedures and addressed in our MOU with CDC the Conference Chair must convey any recommendations related to the CDC and request written response from the CDC to those recommendations within 60 days of receipt.

The following is the aforementioned issue with a brief recommendation for your consideration:

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**2016- I-038 Raw Animal Foods – Consumer Advisory**

The Conference requests that CDC, in conjunction with FDA and USDA, conduct a focus group to reevaluate consumer advisory language and methodology to determine what is meaningful to the consumer. Report back the findings to the CFP at the next biennial meeting in 2018.

CDC's support of and cooperation with the Conference through the years has resulted in an improved regulatory process and increased efforts toward food safety. The CFP Executive Board looks forward to continuing this same collaboration with CDC in the coming months and years. With such a productive partnership, we expect to continue the great progress of the past.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick Guzzle", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Patrick Guzzle, Chair  
Conference for Food Protection

Cc: Vincent Radke, Sanitarian  
Environmental Health Services Branch, National Center for Environmental Health  
CFP Executive Board

