# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE WASHINGTON, DC

# **FSIS NOTICE**

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## **CHANGES IN BILLING RATES**

### I. PURPOSE

This notice announces changes in:

- A. Billing rates charged to meat, poultry, and egg products establishments, plants, importers, and exporters.
  - B. Billing rates to the Accredited Laboratory Program.

### II. BILLING RATES

Effective October 1, 2006, FSIS increased the billing rates charged to meat, poultry, and egg products establishments, plants, importers, and exporters for providing voluntary inspection, identification, certification, overtime, holiday services, and laboratory services. The rate increase allows FSIS to recoup inflation costs, especially those associated with national and locality salary increases and other fixed costs. The revised rates are:

|   | Rates per Hour                |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Service   | From                          | То                            |
| Base time inspection<br>Overtime & holiday<br>Laboratory services | \$47.79<br>\$56.40<br>\$67.83 | \$48.84<br>\$57.65<br>\$69.31 |

Rate per Accreditation

Accredited laboratory fees \$4,000.00 \$4,500.00

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