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Subject: Docket\#2006-0009 04-006P Retail Postings during Meat/Poultry Recalls
Hi Chuck - Thank you for your time this afternoon. As I mentioned I'm very pleased to read about the proposed rule change on posting retail outlets that received recalled meat/poultry. However, as we discussed, your information is not reaching consumers. The majority of Americans don't even know about the USDA FSIS website, let alone the fact that a lot of Americans don't even have a computer.

As you know, when grocery stores receive recall notices they quietly pull the products off their shelves. What about the consumers that have these recalled products in our pantries, refrigerators and freezers? For example, there was a huge listeria Class 1 recall on Armour Lunch Makers \#052-2005. Over 2.8 million pounds of product were recalled that had been distributed nationwide. Based on the recall information, most of the products weigh 2.6 ounces - could that mean that over 16 million units of this products was recalled? Not sure the numbers are correct, but the key is...WE NEVER HEARD ABOUT THE RECALL!!

The best way to reach consumers is to post all recall notices at the front entrance to grocery/drug stores. This is public information that you are posting on your website. The grocery stores also have the information, so why not close the loop and really include the consumers?

Please consider this addition to the Proposed Rule on Availability of Retail Lists During Recalls. Through the combination of web postings, media announcements and grocery/drug store postings, I believe we can save a lot more Americans from unnecessary illness and potentially fatal situations.

Thank you
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