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Dear Sir,

I write in reference to Docket # 97-067N, U.S.D.A. FSIS. I completely agree that "E-coli is an adulterant in Trimmings etc." I agree wholly with this proposal to increase the definition of E-coli adulteration to include non intact beef products, of beef that has been tenderized, injected with solutions, mechanically tenderized by needling, or reconstructed. I also urge that the pathogens *Listeria monocytogenes*, and *Campylobacter* also be named along with E-coli and deem them to be equally as deadly. This conveys my concerns on this subject.

Sincerely,

Merrill Kent Snover