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NACMPI to Hold Public Meetings

The National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection (NACMPI) will hold public meetings on August 8 and 9.

Agenda items include data collection and analysis at FSIS: standard operating procedures, technical plan for risk-based inspection and a pilot project to explore mechanisms for sharing industry data with FSIS.

NACMPI was established in 1971 to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Agriculture regarding meat and poultry inspection programs. The committee, which generally meets twice a year, addresses food safety and policy issues affecting USDA.

The full committee will hold public meetings on August 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) and August 9, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., EDT.

Subcommittees will hold open meetings on August 8, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., EDT, to discuss these issues after the full committee session.

All committee meetings will be held at George Mason University, Arlington Campus, 3401 Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22201.

A copy of the agenda and supplementary information will be available prior to the meeting on FSIS' Web site at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/About_FSIS/NACMPI/index.asp.

For more information about the public meetings, contact Loraine Cannon at (202) 690-6647 or by e-mail at Loraine.Cannon@fsis.usda.gov. People requiring a sign language interpreter or other special accommodations should also contact Loraine Cannon for assistance.



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Export Requirement Updates



The Library of Export Requirements has been updated to reflect changes in export requirements for the following:

Colombia

Cuba

European Union

Hong Kong

Complete information can be found at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/Regulations_&Policies/Export_Information/index.asp.

Register to Attend Meeting on Public Health-Based Slaughter Inspection

FSIS will hold a public meeting on August 7 to discuss public health-based slaughter inspection. This meeting will address *Campylobacter*, *Salmonella* and other public health concerns.

The meeting will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at George Mason University, School of Public Policy, 3401 Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22201.

The George Mason University campus is located near the Virginia Square Metro Station on Metro's Orange Line for

participants attending in person.

Pre-registration is encouraged. To register online, go to http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News_&_Events/Meetings_&_Events/index.asp and indicate whether you will attend onsite at George Mason University or participate by phone.

For technical information about the public meeting, contact Keith Payne at (202) 690-6522 or by e-mail at Keith.Payne@fsis.usda.gov.

FSIS Issues Directive and Notice

FSIS issued Directive 5,500.2, Revision 1 on July 16 titled, *Non-Routine Incident Response*.

This directive was re-issued in its entirety to provide instructions on how to use the new Web-based Non-Routine Incident Management System (NRIMS) for non-routine incidents.

The Emergency Management Committee (EMC) should use this system when non-routine incidents occur. NRIMS is designed to help the EMC effectively manage non-routine incidents by electronically disseminating non-routine incident reports.

The directive also provides instructions on how to use FSIS Form 5500-8, *Impact of Non-Routine Incidents on Establishments, Warehouses and Import Houses*.

The agency also issued Notice 43-07 on July 19 to provide direction to inspection program personnel on their responsibilities related to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's sampling program for classical swine fever.

The directive and notice are available on FSIS' Web site at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/Regulations_&_Policies/index.asp.