National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection
October 12-13, 2006

Using Risk to Direct In-Plant Processing and Off-Line Slaughter Inspection Activities

Implementation Strategy

At the October 10-11, 2006, public meeting to be facilitated by Resolve, FSIS will present a PowerPoint presentation, "Using Risk to Direct In-Plant Processing and Off-Line Slaughter Inspection Activities." A copy of that presentation is attached. The presentation sets out several key points, such as the types of operations addressed, the fact that all processing plants will continue to have daily inspection, and the need to phase in such a risk-based system. The presentation shows that the inspection level would be based on the inherent risk of product and the level of risk control by the establishment. The presentation will raise questions for consideration and seek input on them. They are:

- Should we use predictive indicators?
- How would we capture predictive indicators?
- What are other examples of predictive indicators?
- How many levels of inspection are optimal?
- How do plants move from one level to another?
- How frequently should FSIS evaluate data to make decisions on the plant moving from one level to another?

At the October 12-13, 2006, public meeting of the National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection (NACMPI), FSIS will distribute a copy of the PowerPoint presentation for discussion and present a summary of input that was received at the public meeting facilitated by Resolve. Based on this input, FSIS will seek further input on the original questions stated above and ask for input on any additional questions that emerged from the October 10-11 public meeting facilitated by Resolve.

FSIS will ask NACMPI to help move this issue forward based on the feedback received at the October public meeting.

The PowerPoint presentation is on the FSIS homepage at:
http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations/National_Advisory_Committee_on_Meat_&_Poultry/index.asp

Attachment

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