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I. PURPOSE

This change transmittal issues revisions to the new microbiology sampling codes that were issued 12/19/02. The new codes were necessary to reflect the sampling programs established in FSIS Directive 10,240.3. Also, this change transmittal issues Attachment 5, Pathology Sampling. This attachment contains the directed sampling for Advanced Meat Recovery Product. This is the same as Attachment 1 to the FSIS Directive 7160.3.

II. CANCELLATION

This transmittal is cancelled when contents have been incorporated into FSIS Directive 10,210.1.

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Product Sampling - Microbiology

Ready-to-Eat Meat and Poultry Products

Project Numbers	INTPROD FINTPROD (Follow-up sampling for INTPROD positive samples)
Program Title	Intensified Sampling of High and Medium Risk Ready-to-Eat Meat and Poultry Products
Analyzed for	<i>Salmonella</i> AND <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> If the product is a dry or semi-dry fermented sausage, it will also be analyzed for <i>E. coli</i> O157:H7.
Product to Sample	As described in FSIS Directive 10,240.3, under the intensified verification program.
Collection Instructions	Randomly collect one sample for each sample request form received, all from the same lot of product . For each sample, collect enough INTACT product so that at least TWO pounds of product are submitted to the laboratory for analysis. If an intact sample of the product is too large to submit to the laboratory, ask the establishment to slack fill or short weight a package to two pounds. If this is not possible, contact the laboratory to see if a larger shipping container is available. If not, submit the sample request form to the lab with block 33 marked code 53, other reason for non-collection, with the appropriate explanation. Ship the samples to the lab only after the establishment has completed its pre-shipment review.
Sample Request Form	Fill out the form according to the instructions on pages 5 - 7 of this directive (FSIS Directive 10,210.1). Place the sample request form and a copy of the label in a plastic bag and place the plastic bag into the shipping container with the sample and seal per FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2. If no sample is collected, complete Block 33 and mail the form to the laboratory listed in Block 9.
Establishment Management Notification	Give establishment management sufficient notification of sampling so that the product represented by the sample(s) may be held. Holding product is at the option of the establishment.
Overnight Shipment	Refrigerated or frozen. Ship to the laboratory listed in Block 9 of the sample request form. Use sufficient frozen coolant to keep samples cold during transit. Ship samples Monday through Friday so that they arrive at the laboratory overnight. A sample box shipped on Fridays must have a Saturday Delivery sticker on it and Saturday delivery marked on the shipping label to avoid delivery delays and discarded samples. Do not ship samples on Saturdays or on the day before a Federal holiday.
References	FSIS Directive 10,240.3, 12/09/2002 FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2, 12/3/2002

**Product Sampling - Microbiology
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Project Numbers	INTCONT FINTCONT (Follow-up sampling for INTCONT positive samples)
Program Title	Intensified Sampling of Food Contact Surfaces During the Production of High and Medium Risk Ready-to-Eat Meat and Poultry Products
Analyzed for	<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>
Sample to Collect	Swabs from surfaces of utensils or equipment with which exposed RTE product has direct contact (e.g. conveyor belts, knives, tabletops), that represent the conditions under which the sampled lot was processed.
Collection Instructions	Collect one sample for each form received. Collect samples that represent the conditions under which the sampled product lot was produced. Collect samples during the production shift, not pre-operational, but without disrupting production, such as during breaks and at the end of a shift.
Sample Request Form	Fill out the form according to the instructions on pages 5 - 7 of this directive (FSIS Directive 10,210.1). Place the sample request form and a copy of the label in a plastic bag and place the plastic bag into the shipping container with the sample and seal per FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2. If no sample is collected, complete Block 33 and mail the form to the laboratory listed in Block 9.
Establishment Management Notification	Give establishment management sufficient notification of sampling so that the product represented by the sample(s) may be held. Holding product is at the option of the establishment.
Overnight Shipment	Refrigerated. Ship to the laboratory listed in Block 9 of the sample request form. Use sufficient frozen coolant to keep samples cold during transit. Ship samples Monday through Friday so that they arrive at the laboratory overnight. A sample box shipped on Fridays must have a Saturday Delivery sticker on it and Saturday delivery marked on the shipping label to avoid delivery delays and discarded samples. Do not ship samples on Saturdays or on the day before a Federal holiday.
References	FSIS Directive 10,240.3, 12/09/2002 FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2, 12/3/2002

**Product Sampling - Microbiology
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Project Numbers	INTENV FINTENV (Follow-up sampling for INTENV positive samples)
Program Title	Intensified Sampling of Environmental Surfaces During the Production of High and Medium Risk Ready-to-Eat Meat and Poultry Products
Analyzed for	<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>
Sample to Collect	Swab surfaces that have: indirect or potential contact with exposed RTE product in the RTE production area (e.g. mop handles or outer garments that may be handled by a person who may touch RTE product) or no contact (e.g. floors, drains, walls, overhead structures).
Collection Instructions	Collect one sample for each form received. Collect samples that represent the conditions under which the sampled product lot was produced. Collect samples during the production shift, not pre-operational, but without disrupting production, such as during breaks and at the end of a shift.
Sample Request Form	Fill out the form according to the instructions on pages 5 - 7 of this directive (FSIS Directive 10,210.1). Place the sample request form and a copy of the label in a plastic bag and place the plastic bag into the shipping container with the sample and seal per FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2. If no sample is collected, complete Block 33 and mail the form to the laboratory listed in Block 9.
Establishment Management Notification	Give establishment management sufficient notification of sampling so that the product represented by the sample(s) may be held. Holding product is at the option of the establishment.
Overnight Shipment	Refrigerated. Ship to the laboratory listed in Block 9 of the sample request form. Use sufficient frozen coolant to keep samples cold during transit. Ship samples Monday through Friday so that they arrive at the laboratory overnight. A sample box shipped on Fridays must have a Saturday Delivery sticker on it and Saturday delivery marked on the shipping label to avoid delivery delays and discarded samples. Do not ship samples on Saturdays or on the day before a Federal holiday.
References	FSIS Directive 10,240.3, 12/09/2002 FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2, 12/3/2002

**Product Sampling - Microbiology
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Project Numbers	TARGET FTARGET (Follow-up sampling for TARGET positive samples)
Program Title	Targeted Microbiological Sampling of Ready-to-Eat Meat and Poultry Products
Analyzed for	<i>Salmonella</i> AND <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> If the product is a dry or semi-dry fermented sausage or fully-cooked meat patties, it will also be analyzed for <i>E. coli</i> O157:H7.
Product to Sample	As described in FSIS Directive 10,240.3, under the targeted verification program.
Collection Instructions	Randomly collect enough INTACT product so that at least TWO pounds of product are submitted to the laboratory for analysis. If an intact sample of the product is too large to submit to the laboratory, ask the establishment to slack fill or short weight a package to two pounds. If this is not possible, contact the laboratory to see if a larger shipping container is available. If not, submit the sample request form to the lab with block 33 marked code 53, other reason for non-collection, with the appropriate explanation. Ship the sample to the lab only after the establishment has completed its pre-shipment review.
Sample Request Form	Fill out the form according to the instructions on pages 5 - 7 of this directive (FSIS Directive 10,210.1). Place the sample request form and a copy of the label in a plastic bag and place the plastic bag into the shipping container with the sample and seal per FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2. If no sample is collected, complete Block 33 and mail the form to the laboratory listed in Block 9.
Establishment Management Notification	Give establishment management sufficient notification of sampling so that the product represented by the sample may be held. Holding product is at the option of the establishment.
Overnight Shipment	Refrigerated or frozen. Ship to the laboratory listed in Block 9 of the sample request form. Use sufficient frozen coolant to keep samples cold during transit. Ship samples Monday through Friday so that they arrive at the laboratory overnight. A sample box shipped on Fridays must have a Saturday Delivery sticker on it and Saturday delivery marked on the shipping label to avoid delivery delays and discarded samples. Do not ship samples on Saturdays or on the day before a Federal holiday.
References	FSIS Directive 10,240.3, 12/09/2002 FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2, 12/3/2002

**Product Sampling - Microbiology
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Project Numbers	LOWTARG FLOWTARG (Follow-up sampling for LOWTARG positive samples)
Program Title	Low-Targeted Microbiological Sampling of Ready-to-Eat Meat and Poultry Products
Analyzed for	<i>Salmonella</i> AND <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> If the product is a dry or semi-dry fermented sausage or fully-cooked meat patties, it will also be analyzed for <i>E. coli</i> O157:H7.
Product to Sample	As described in FSIS Directive 10,240.3, under the low targeted verification program.
Collection Instructions	Randomly collect enough INTACT product so that at least TWO pounds of product are submitted to the laboratory for analysis. If an intact sample of the product is too large to submit to the laboratory, ask the establishment to slack fill or short weight a package to two pounds. If this is not possible, contact the laboratory to see if a larger shipping container is available. If not, submit the sample request form to the lab with block 33 marked code 53, other reason for non-collection, with the appropriate explanation. Ship the sample to the lab only after the establishment has completed its pre-shipment review.
Sample Request Form	Fill out the form according to the instructions on pages 5 - 7 of this directive (FSIS Directive 10,210.1). Place the sample request form and a copy of the label in a plastic bag and place the plastic bag into the shipping container with the sample and seal per FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2. If no sample is collected, complete Block 33 and mail the form to the laboratory listed in Block 9.
Establishment Management Notification	Give establishment management sufficient notification of sampling so that the product represented by the sample may be held. Holding product is at the option of the establishment.
Overnight Shipment	Refrigerated or frozen. Ship to the laboratory listed in Block 9 of the sample request form. Use sufficient frozen coolant to keep samples cold during transit. Ship samples Monday through Friday so that they arrive at the laboratory overnight. A sample box shipped on Fridays must have a Saturday Delivery sticker on it and Saturday delivery marked on the shipping label to avoid delivery delays and discarded samples. Do not ship samples on Saturdays or on the day before a Federal holiday.
References	FSIS Directive 10,240.3, 12/09/2002 FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2, 12/3/2002

**Product Sampling - Microbiology
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Project Numbers	NONTARG FNONTARG (Follow-up sampling for NONTARG positive samples)
Program Title	Non-Targeted Microbiological Sampling of Ready-to-Eat Meat and Poultry Products
Analyzed for	<i>Salmonella</i> AND <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> If the product is a dry or semi-dry fermented sausage or fully-cooked meat patties, it will also be analyzed for <i>E. coli</i> O157:H7.
Product to Sample	As designated on FSIS Form 10,210-3 in block 18.
Collection Instructions	Randomly collect enough INTACT product so that at least TWO pounds of product are submitted to the laboratory for analysis. If an intact sample of the product is too large to submit to the laboratory, ask the establishment to slack fill or short weight a package to two pounds. If this is not possible, contact the laboratory to see if a larger shipping container is available. If not, submit the sample request form to the lab with block 33 marked code 53, other reason for non-collection, with the appropriate explanation. Ship the sample to the lab only after the establishment has completed its pre-shipment review.
Sample Request Form	Fill out the form according to the instructions on pages 5 - 7 of this directive (FSIS Directive 10,210.1). Place the sample request form and a copy of the label in a plastic bag and place the plastic bag into the shipping container with the sample and seal per FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2. If no sample is collected, complete Block 33 and mail the form to the laboratory listed in Block 9.
Establishment Management Notification	Give establishment management sufficient notification of sampling so that the product represented by the sample may be held. Holding product is at the option of the establishment.
Overnight Shipment	Refrigerated or frozen. Ship to the laboratory listed in Block 9 of the sample request form. Use sufficient frozen coolant to keep samples cold during transit. Ship samples Monday through Friday so that they arrive at the laboratory overnight. A sample box shipped on Fridays must have a Saturday Delivery sticker on it and Saturday delivery marked on the shipping label to avoid delivery delays and discarded samples. Do not ship samples on Saturdays or on the day before a Federal holiday.
References	FSIS Directive 10,240.3, 12/09/2002 FSIS Directive 7355.1, rev. 2, 12/3/2002

ATTACHMENT 5

PATHOLOGY SAMPLING

Product Sampling – Pathology
Advanced Meat Recovery Product

Project Number	AMR01 (initial sample), FAMR01 (follow-ups to positive samples)
Program Title	Advanced Meat Recovery (AMR) Product Monitoring – Raw Product
Program Dates	Ongoing
Analyzed for	Spinal Cord
Product to Sample	Raw beef product derived from vertebral materials as it exits the AMR system (after the desinewer)
Collection Instructions	On the designated day, randomly select one composite sample for each form provided by OPHS, approximately two pounds from throughout a single lot of product. Place sample in an appropriately sized zipper-lock plastic bag. Identify the bag with the Sample Identification Label (FSIS 7355-2B) from an FSIS 7355-2A/B seal packet as outlined in FSIS Directive 7355.1 Rev 2. Refrigerate the sample until shipped.
Sample Request Form	Fill out the form according to the instructions in Block 18. Make sure all information requested in Block 28 is filled out. If product requested is unavailable for sampling, complete Block 33 and mail the form to the Eastern Laboratory. Place a small bar-coded label from same seal packet indicated above as shown in FSIS Directive 7355.1 Rev. 2. Check to insure that the number on the identification label matches the barcode number on the sticker placed on the form. Place the sample request form in a plastic bag and place the plastic bag into the shipping container with the sample. Seal the shipping container as outlined in FSIS Directive 7355.1, Rev.2.
Establishment Management Notification	Notify establishment management prior to sampling. Recommend establishment management to hold the sampled lot.
Shipment	Refrigerated. Ship same day as collected or within 24-hours of collection to the Eastern Laboratory address listed in Block 9 of the sample request form and on the PRE-ADDRESSED LABEL. Use sufficient frozen coolant to keep samples cold during transit. Samples collected and shipped on a Friday must have a SATURDAY DELIVERY sticker on it and Saturday Delivery marked on the shipping label to avoid delivery delays and discarded samples. DO NOT ship samples on Saturdays, Sundays, or the day before a Federal Holiday.
Availability of Test Results	Test results for the presence of spinal cord will be reported by e-mail to the IIC as soon as possible (i.e., typically within 48 hours of receipt of sample at the Eastern Laboratory). A final pathology report will be mailed to the IIC.
References	FSIS Directive 7355.1, Rev.2 FSIS Directive 7160.3