

National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection

**International Equivalence
DRAFT Agenda**

Day One

**Wednesday, August 27, 2008
USDA South Building Cafeteria
Washington, DC**

8:30

Welcome

Mr. Alfred V. Almanza
Administrator
Food Safety and Inspection Service

Opening Remarks

Dr. Richard Raymond
Under Secretary for Food Safety

Charge to the Committee

Mr. Robert Tynan
Deputy Assistant Administrator
Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Education
Food Safety and Inspection Service

Briefings on Previous NACMPI Topics

9:00

Response to Comments on Public Health/Risk-Based Inspection

Dr. Carol Maczka
Assistant Administrator
Office of Food Defense and Emergency Response
Food Safety and Inspection Service

A U.S. Government Perspective

9:30

What the Import Safety Working Group Found

Ms. Mary Stanley
Office of International Affairs
Food Safety and Inspection Service

9:50

An Overview of FSIS' Approach

Dr. William James
Assistant Administrator
Office of International Affairs
Food Safety and Inspection Service

10:00

System of Equivalency

Ms. Sally White
Director, International Equivalence Staff
Office of International Affairs
Food Safety and Inspection Service

10:20 **System of Audits**
Mr. Don Smart
Director, International Audit Staff
Office of International Affairs
Food Safety and Inspection Service

10:40 **System of Reinspection**
TBD, Import Inspection Division
Office of International Affairs
Food Safety and Inspection Service

Questions and Comments

11:00 **BREAK**

11:15 **An Overview of FDA's Import Plan**
Dr. David Acheson
Associate Commission for Foods
Food and Drug Administration

Questions and Comments

An Industry Perspective

11:35 **How could FSIS Equivalence Review Benefit from the Existing Body of Data on 3rd Party Audits**

Grocery Manufacturers/Food Products Association Viewpoint

Mr. Michael Robach
Vice President, Food Safety Programs
Cargill Incorporated

Food Marketing Institute Viewpoint

Dr. Jill Hollingsworth
Vice President, Food Safety Programs

Questions and Comments

12:15 **LUNCH**

A Consumer Perspective

1:15 **Ensuring Safe Food in a Global Marketplace**

Speaker- TBD

Questions and Comments

A Foreign Government Perspective

1:35 **Approaches to Equivalence in the International Arena**

- New Zealand's Viewpoint Invited
- European Union's Viewpoint Invited
- Canada's Viewpoint Invited

Mr. Greg Read, Executive Manager, Export and Food Policy
Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Questions and Comments

3:35

Public Comment

4:00

Challenges – Outline of the Issues for the Subcommittees

Dr. William James
Assistant Administrator
Office of International Affairs
Food Safety and Inspection Service

4:15

Subcommittee Deliberations

6:00

Adjourn

Day Two

**Thursday, August 28, 2008
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8:30 **Subcommittee Deliberations** (continued)

11:30 **Lunch**

12:45 **Reports from Subcommittees**

2:15 **Public Comment**

3:00 **Wrap Up and Adjourn**
Mr. Alfred V. Almanza
Administrator
Food Safety and Inspection Service

