UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE QUARTERLY ENFORCEMENT REPORT April 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007

INTRODUCTION

This is the Food Safety and Inspection Service's (FSIS) Quarterly Enforcement Report. The report provides a summary of the enforcement actions FSIS has taken to ensure that products that reach consumers are safe, wholesome, and properly labeled. Although this report focuses on enforcement actions taken, it is important to recognize that this is only one aspect of the Agency's work. The Agency's main purpose is to protect public health by achieving compliance with laws and regulations.

FSIS inspects products produced in more than 6,000 meat, poultry, and egg product plants. Since January 1998, meat and poultry plants have been operating HACCP Systems. Publication of this information is another step in the Agency's commitment to openness and transparency in its work to protect the public from adulterated or misbranded meat, poultry, and egg products.

The report is presented in sections that correspond with the category of action. Activities reported within the categories are either pending or experienced new activity during the reporting period. FSIS also coordinates administrative actions, where regulatory or other authorities are applied in inspected plants and manages USDA participation in criminal cases pending in Federal courts. These actions, along with the thousands of inspections performed each day in plants throughout the country, form strong underpinnings for promoting compliance with food safety laws. Each section of this report is described and reported in more detail as follows:

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FSIS ENFORCEMENT PROCESSES

USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is charged with ensuring that meat, poultry, and egg products are safe, wholesome, and properly labeled. FSIS, in cooperation with State counterparts, inspects, monitors, and verifies the proper processing, handling, and labeling of meat and poultry products from the delivery of animals to the slaughterhouse until the products reach consumers. FSIS, in cooperation with FDA and the states, provides similar coverage for egg products – the processed whole egg ingredients used in manufacturing other foods. (More information concerning egg products inspection and enforcement is provided in the FSIS publication "Focus on Shell Eggs" that can be accessed at:

http://www.fsis.usda.gov/Fact_Sheets/Focus_On_Shell_Eggs/index.asp.
If FSIS detects
problems with any products it regulates, the Agency takes product control and enforcement
actions to protect consumers.

USDA conducts monitoring and verification activities at plants that slaughter amenable animals and process products to ensure that products at these establishments are produced in a sanitary environment and potential food safety hazards are identified and eliminated. These establishments must apply for a grant of inspection from FSIS and demonstrate the ability to meet all applicable regulatory requirements for producing safe, wholesome, and accurately labeled food products. Requirements include meeting sanitation, facility, and operational standards, and having preventive systems in place to ensure the production of safe and unadulterated meat, poultry, and egg products. Products from official establishments are labeled with the mark of inspection, indicating that they have been inspected and passed by USDA and can be sold in interstate commerce.

FSIS assigns investigators throughout the chain of distribution to detect and detain potentially hazardous meat, poultry, and egg products in commerce and to investigate violations of law. Even if products are produced under conditions that are safe and sanitary, mishandling can occur on their way to the consumer. For example, if products are transported in trucks that are too warm, or if exposed to contamination, the products can become adulterated and can cause illness.

FSIS also works closely with USDA's Office of Inspector General (OIG), which assists FSIS in pursuing complex criminal cases. In addition, many state and local jurisdictions have enforcement authorities that apply to USDA-regulated products. FSIS cooperates with these other jurisdictions in investigations and case presentations. FSIS also participates with OIG and the U.S. Department of Justice in monitoring conditions of probation orders and pretrial diversion agreements developed to resolve cases.

This report provides a summary of enforcement actions, including actions that address the Pathogen Reduction/HACCP regulatory requirements FSIS has taken to ensure that products that reach consumers are safe, wholesome and properly labeled. The Agency recognizes that this report is a snapshot in time of a dynamic process. Some information will be out-of-date by the time this report is published. For example, many matters shown as under appeal will have been resolved by the time this report is published. Other actions could be appealed or closed after this reporting period. This information will be updated on a quarterly basis and made available to the public through future reports.

NONCOMPLIANCE RECORDS AND APPEALS

FSIS inspection program personnel perform thousands of inspection procedures each day to determine whether or not inspected plants are in compliance with regulatory requirements. Each time inspection program personnel make a non-compliance determination they complete a report explaining the nature of the regulatory action. They notify plant managers of problems through a written Noncompliance Record (NR).

NRs document noncompliance with FSIS regulations and notify the plant that it must take action to remedy the situation and should take measures to prevent its recurrence. If this is done, then the plant will continue to operate without interruption. Noncompliance reported on NRs vary from minor labeling discrepancies to serious breakdowns in food safety controls. When noncompliance occurs repeatedly, or when the plant fails to prevent adulterated product from being produced or shipped, FSIS takes action to control products and may take an action to withhold or suspend inspection.

During this quarterly reporting period, FSIS performed 2,124,715 verification procedures. **Table 1a** provides numbers of NRs issued by FSIS inspection personnel between

April 1, 2007 and June 30, 2007. **Table 1b** shows the number of appeals and the dispositions of the appeals filed by plants during this reporting period.

Table 1a. Noncompliance Record Totals (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

NRs Issued: 29,549

Table 1b. Appeals NRs (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Number of Plants Filing Appeals: 227

Appeal of NR Appeal of NR Appeal of NR Granted Denied Pending 130

Total Appeals Resulting In Modified NR

54

Total NRs Appealed

214 24 422

PRODUCT CONTROL ACTIONS

FSIS takes product control actions to gain physical control over products when there is reason to believe they are adulterated or misbranded. The actions are designed to ensure that those products do not enter commerce or, if they are already in commerce, that they do not reach consumers.

In official establishments, FSIS inspectors may retain products whenever there is evidence of unwholesomeness, or if products are adulterated or mislabeled. FSIS inspectors condemn animals for disease, contamination, or adulteration to prevent their use as human food. Figures for condemnations of livestock for the reporting period are as follows:

- FSIS inspected 34,965,137 livestock carcasses; 54,546 carcasses were condemned.
- FSIS inspected 2,368,330,649 poultry carcasses; 11,041,235 carcasses were condemned.

Detentions

FSIS investigators, import officers and other designated FSIS personnel will detain any product that may be adulterated or misbranded when found in commerce. If product cannot be disposed of within 20 days, then FSIS may request any U.S. District or other court to seize the product as provided for in the Federal Meat Inspection Act and Poultry Products Inspection Act. Most detentions result in voluntary disposal of the product and do not require court actions. **Tables 2a., 2b.,** and **2c.** provide the number of detentions and the pounds of product involved in these actions for meat and poultry products for this quarterly reporting period. Table 2a. provides the information on detentions made by Compliance and Investigations Division (CID), Office of Program Evaluation, Enforcement and Review investigators. Table 2b. provides the detention information for the Office of International Affairs. Table 2c. provides the detention information for the Office of Field Operations.

Table 2a. Detention Summary (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Detentions: CID Regions

Total number of detentions	90
Total pounds of product detained	2,278,375

	Detentions	Pounds Detained
WESTERN	30	183,504
SOUTHWEST	35	1,100,457
MIDWEST	6	38,784
SOUTHEAST	13	953,143
NORTHEAST	<u>6</u>	<u>2,487</u>
Totals	90	2,278,375

Table 2b. Detention Summary (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Detentions: OIA Regions

Total number of detentions	19
Total pounds of product detained	31,526

	Detentions	Pounds Detained
WESTERN (Los Angeles)	15	25,799
SOUTHERN (Miami)	0	0
NORTHERN (Detroit)	0	0
NORTHEAST (Philadelphia)	<u>4</u>	<u>5,727</u>
Totals	19	31,526

Table 2c. Detention Summary (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Detentions: OFO Districts

Total number of detentions Total pounds of product detained	9 88.85	
	Detentions	Pounds Detained
MINNEAPOLIS	3	25.10
PHILADELPHIA	<u>6</u>	<u>63.75</u>
Totals	9	88.85

Recalls

A recall is a firm's voluntary removal of adulterated or misbranded products from trade or consumer channels. Class I recalls involve a health hazard for which there is a reasonable probability that the use of the product will cause serious adverse health consequences or death. Class II recalls involve a potential health hazard where there is a remote probability of adverse health consequences from use of the product. Class III recalls involve a situation in which use of the product will not cause adverse health consequences. In cases where a firm decides not to accept the FSIS recommendation and chooses not to conduct a recall, FSIS will detain any product that would have been subject to a recall that it finds in commerce. FSIS, Congressional and Public Affairs (CPA) will issue a press release informing the public that product that appears to be adulterated or misbranded has been shipped by the responsible firm and that the firm has refused to recall it. For current information on recalls, go to the FSIS recalls web page at: http://www.fsis.usda.gov/Fsis_Recalls/index.asp.

Port-of-Entry Reinspection

FSIS conducts port-of-entry reinspections of imported meat, poultry, and egg products. It is important to note that this activity is a <u>reinspection</u> of products that have already been inspected and passed by an equivalent foreign inspection system. Thus, imported product reinspection is a monitoring activity for verifying on an on-going basis the equivalence of a foreign country's inspection system.

Port-of-entry reinspection is directed by the Automated Import Information System (AIIS), a centralized computer database that generates reinspection assignments and stores results. After clearing U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), every imported meat, poultry, or egg product shipment must be presented to FSIS. When a meat or poultry shipment is presented for reinspection, the AIIS scans its records to verify eligibility. Shipments are denied reinspection and refused entry if the foreign country is not eligible to export to the United States, if the establishment that produced the product has not been certified for export to this country, if the product presented for reinspection is not eligible, if the shipping marks are not unique, or if APHIS has animal health restrictions on the country.

All imported product shipments are reinspected for general condition, labeling, proper certification, and accurate count. In addition, other types of inspection (TOI) may be generated by the AIIS. These could include a physical examination of the product for visible defects, collection of samples for microbiological analysis, sampling for food chemistry analyses, and samples to be analyzed for drug and chemical residues. Shipments are randomly selected for

¹ Egg products are imported only from Canada. Dry egg products may be reinspected at the border or may proceed directly to their destination for reinspection. Liquid egg products are always reinspected at their destination for food safety reasons. Egg product reinspections are presently scheduled separately from meat and poultry, but will be brought under the AIIS.

reinspection using a statistical sampling plan that allocates samples by HACCP process categories. The level of sampling is based on the volume imported from the country within each category. Products that fail reinspection are rejected and must be re-exported, converted to non-human food, or destroyed. Product rejections cause the AIIS to automatically generate an increased rate of reinspection for future shipments of like product from the same establishment.

This HACCP-based sampling approach began in August 2002 as the new AIIS3 system was launched, and was fully implemented in the quarter beginning October 1, 2002. Implementation of AIIS3 provides an opportunity for FSIS to present meat and poultry reinspection data in a new reporting format that has been constructed to better represent reinspection results (**Table 3a**). This new format is based on pounds of product rather than lots of product because the lotting of product for reinspection is a commercial decision made by the importer or broker, and the term "lot" has no regulatory definition. **Table 3b** presents egg product reinspection results in the same format they appear in past quarters, minus lots for the reason given above. The new reporting format will be applied to these products when they are incorporated into the AIIS3 system. It should be noted that data reports at the end of a fiscal quarter are the best available information for reinspection activities conducted during the preceding three months, but those data are preliminary until all ongoing inspection activities are completed. For example, pending reinspection activities include open TOI's, in particular samples taken for laboratory analysis, but also could include organoleptic product examinations, and refused entries which may stay open for up to 45 days. A report of quarterly reinspection data will not be "final" until all open entries are closed. These normally small adjustments in past quarter data will be reflected in subsequent quarterly reports.

Table 3a. Imported Meat and Poultry Products Pounds of Product by Fiscal Year Quarter

Presented, Reinspected, and Refused Entry

	1			FY 2007	1		
Quarter	Presented	Refused 1	Reinspected	TOIs Perf	Accepted	Rejected 3	Combined Rejected and Refused
Q-1 (Oct – Dec)	936,006,746	12,381	110,545,902	12,179	933,240,278	2,754,087	2,766,468
Q-2 (Jan – Mar)	956,404,204	0	103,099,104	12,189	954,110,901	2,293,303	2,293,303
Q-3 (Apr – Jun)	1,057,038,119	91,082	123,290,993	13,443	1,054,502,356	2,444,681	2,535,763
Q-4 (Jul – Sep)							0
Cumulative Totals	2,949,449,069	103,463	336,935,999	37,811	2,941,853,535	7,492,071	7,595,534

Table 3b. Imported Egg Products Pounds of Product by Fiscal Year Quarter

Presented, Reinspected, and Refused Entry

	FY 2007	
QUARTER	PRESENTED	REFUSED 4
Q-1 (Oct – Dec)	4,296,089	0
Q-2 (Jan – Mar)	5,870,970	0
Q-3 (Apr – Jun)	4,713,770	0
Q-4 (Jul – Sep)		
Cumulative Totals	14,880,829	0

Products are refused reinspection if: (1) the foreign country is not eligible; (2) the foreign establishment is not listed; (3) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) has placed animal disease restrictions on the country; (4) product presented for reinspection is not eligible; and (5) duplicate shipping marks.

² Types of Inspection (TOI) Performed. The number of reinspection assignments performed during the quarter.

³ Products are rejected if product presented for reinspection fails to meet U.S. import requirements.

⁴ Refused entry and rejected upon reinspection data are collapsed in the present egg products database, but will be separated when this commodity is incorporated into the AIIS.

NOTICES OF WARNING

FSIS issues Notices of Warning (NOW) for minor violations of law that are not referred to United States Attorneys for prosecution. FSIS may also issue these warnings when a United States Attorney declines to prosecute a case or bring action against a specific business or person. These letters warn that FSIS may seek criminal action based on continued violations. Notices of Warning may be issued to any individual or business, including Federal plants, wholesalers, distributors, restaurants, retail stores and other entities that process, store, or distribute meat and poultry products. **Table 4** shows Notices of Warning issued by the Office of Program Evaluation, Enforcement and Review (OPEER) headquarters office and by each of the CID Regions during the reporting period.

Table 4. Notices of Warning for Criminal Actions (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Notices of Warning for Criminal Violations

Total number of NOWs issued for violations: 156

Number issued by Headquarters: 1

CID Region	Number of NOWs Issued by Region
WESTERN	54
SOUTHWEST	20
MIDWEST	12
SOUTHEAST	44
NORTHEAST	25
Total number issued	155

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

FSIS inspects meat and poultry products and applies the marks of inspection when inspectors are able to determine that products are not adulterated. FSIS may temporarily withhold the marks of inspection from specific products, suspend inspection, or withdraw a grant of inspection if a plant is not meeting regulatory requirements.

Effective January 25, 2000, FSIS amended its Rules of Practice that apply to Agency enforcement actions. The Rules of Practice, which are located in 9 CFR Part 500, define each type of enforcement action FSIS can take, the conditions under which it is likely to take these actions, and the procedures FSIS will follow in doing so.

Withholding the Marks of Inspection

If a plant fails to prevent preparation and shipment of adulterated products or develops a pattern of noncompliance showing the plant's sanitation or process control systems have failed, FSIS may notify plant managers that the USDA mark of inspection is being withheld from some or all of the products in the plant. This action effectively shuts down affected operations, because it is illegal to sell products in commerce that do not bear the USDA mark of inspection. Other non-affected parts of the plant, if any, may still operate.

Suspension of Inspection

FSIS may temporarily suspend the assignment of inspectors if a plant fails to prevent preparation and shipment of adulterated products, fails to present a corrective action plan to bring the plant sanitation or process control systems into compliance, or for other reasons specified in the Rules of Practice. As with withholding actions, a suspension shuts down all or part of the plant's operations. USDA may place the suspension in abeyance if corrections are presented, put into effect, and effectively prevent additional problems. FSIS District Offices have established procedures to monitor and verify a plant's corrective and preventive actions.

Notification to Establishments of Intended Enforcement Actions

FSIS has an established procedure to notify establishments of intended enforcement actions related to certain types of noncompliance that have not resulted in actual shipment of adulterated products. Under this procedure, a notice is issued to an establishment when the Inspector-in-Charge determines that the establishment has experienced multiple, recurring noncompliances, or for other reasons, as specified in the Rules of Practice, the establishment has failed to implement

adequate corrective and preventive measures. The Notice informs the establishment of the nature and scope of the noncompliance and that FSIS intends to withhold the marks of inspection or suspend the assignment of inspectors. The Notice explains the basis of and references documentation for the intended enforcement action, and provides the establishment three business days to contest the basis for the proposed enforcement action or to demonstrate how compliance has been or will be achieved. In appropriate situations, USDA may defer a decision based on corrections submitted by the establishment.

Withdrawal of Inspection

In some situations, FSIS may decide that it is necessary to withdraw inspection from a plant. In these cases, FSIS withdraws inspection from a Federal plant by filing a complaint with the USDA Hearing Clerk. The plant may request a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. If the action is based on insanitation, the plant will remain closed while proceedings go forward. In other cases that do not involve a threat to public health, operations may continue. These actions may be resolved by FSIS and the plant entering into a consent decision, which allows the plant to operate under certain specified conditions. Once inspection is withdrawn, a closed plant must reapply to receive Federal inspection.

As specified in the Rules of Practice, USDA may initiate withholding, suspension, or withdrawal actions to limit a plant's slaughtering or processing, or prevent the plant from operating altogether, based on reasons related to the PR/HACCP regulations such as:

- failure to collect and analyze samples for the presence of generic *E. coli* and record test results,
- failure to develop or implement Sanitation Standard Operating Procedures, or
- failure to develop or implement a required HACCP plan.

In addition, USDA may initiate a withholding, suspension, or withdrawal action for other reasons such as:

- failure to meet "sanitation performance standards,"
- insanitary conditions,
- inhumane handling or slaughtering of livestock,
- failure to destroy condemned product, or
- interference with inspection personnel.

Tables 5, 6, and 7 list administrative actions (other than actions based on convictions) by establishment, initiated, pending, or closed, for the period, along with whether the action is based on an SSOP or HACCP Systems failure, or for some other reason, such as inhumane handling. In some plants, FSIS may find more than one basis for taking enforcement action or may take more than one action. For example, the plant has sanitation problems and is not conducting *E. coli* testing or a sanitation problem occurs more than once. These tables list actions taken at large, small, and very small plants. The enforcement action can be for any of the identified reasons. During this period, activity is reported concerning 115 plants. Forty-seven of the actions in these plants were initiated during this reporting period. Twenty-eight were closed by letters of warning or other means during this period.

Tables 5, 6, and 7 also identify those cases in which an appeal of the suspension action may have been made, along with whether the appeal was granted or the administrative action was sustained (appeal denied). When decisions on appeals have not been made during the period of this report, the appeal is shown as pending and will be reported in the next quarterly report. There were no appeal of suspension actions filed during this period.

Table 5. Administrative Actions: Large HACCP Plants (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Administrative Actions Pending or Taken at Large HACCP Plants [includes actions initiated in prior quarters]

Establishment/ Estab. Number Location	NOIE	Deferral	Suspension In Effect	Suspension in Abeyance		Basi	s for A	ction			Clo	osure	Appeals and Actions
2004.011					SSOP	HACCP	<u>SPS</u>	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Other</u>	LOI	LOW	
CARGILL MEAT SOLUTIONS CORPORATION 00086H M PLAINVIEW, TX						Х				Х			On 6/13/07, a withholding action concerning labels for Advanced Mear Recovery System product was taken in accordance with 9 CFR Part 500.8
CASE FARMS OF NC, INC. 00419 P MORGANTON, NC	3/1/07		3/8/07	3/9/07	X	Х	Х					5/30/07	
			3/15/07	3/17/07	X	Х	Х					5/30/07	On 3/15/07, suspension was reinstated.
CLOUGHERTY PKG. CO 00360 M00360 P VERNON, CA			9/7/06	9/7/06				X					
			9/8/06	9/8/06				Х					On 9/8/06, suspension was reinstate
CRIDER POULTRY INC. 06519 M06519 P STILLMORE, GA	2/26/07	4/4/07			X	X						6/11/07	
GREATER OMAHA PACKING COMPANY 00960 M OMAHA, NE	2/9/07	2/20/07				X						6/11/07	
KOCH FOODS LLC 19152 P MORRISTONW, TN	2/28/07	3/9/07			X	X						6/21/07	
MOUNTAIRE FARMS OF NORTH CAROLINA 07470 P LUMBER BRIDGE, NC	2/2/07	2/22/07			Х	X							

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Establishment/ Estab. Number Location	NOIE	Deferral	Suspension In Effect	Suspension in Abeyance		Basi	s for A	ction			Clo	osure	Appeals and Actions
2004.1011					SSOP	HACCP	<u>SPS</u>	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
NATIONAL BEEF PACKING CO. 00208A M LIBERAL, KS						X				Х			On 5/29/07, a withholding action concerning labels for Advanced Meat Recovery System product was taken in accordance with 9 CFR Part 500.8
NEBRASKA BEEF, LTD. 19336 M OMAHA, NE	8/3/06	8/14/06			Х	X				X		4/6/07	Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli).
OK FOODS INC 00165H P HEAVENER, OK	5/7/07	5/25/07			X	X	X						
PERDUE FARMS INCORPORATED 19112 P BEAVER DAM, KY	5/9/07		5/17/07	5/19/07	Х	X	X						
PM BEEF HOLDINGS 00683 M WINDOM, MN			4/18/07	4/18/07					X				
	6/1/07	6/7/07			Х	Х	X			X			Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli). The enforcemen action included, as a basis, failure of the establishment to comply with Agency requirements concerning specified risk material.
ROCHELLE FOODS, INC 01992 M18769 P ROCHELLE, IL	4/4/07				X	Х	X						
TYSON FOODS INC 01362 P NOEL, MO	5/18/06	6/23/06			Х	X							
TYSON FRESH MEATS 00244I M LOGANSPORT, IN	3/19/07	4/3/07			Х	X	X						
TYSON FRESH MEATS INC. 00245D M EMPORIA, KS						X				X			On 12/23/04, a withholding action concerning labels for Advanced Mea Recovery System product was taker in accordance with 9 CFR Part 500.8

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Establishment/ Estab. Number Location	NOIE	Deferral Suspension In Effect Suspension in Abeyance Basis for Action								Clo	sure	Appeals and Actions	
					SSOP	HACCP	<u>SPS</u>	<u>INH</u>	INT	<u>Other</u>	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
TYSON FRESH MEATS INC. 09268 M PASCO, WA						Х				Х			On 7/28/04, a withholding action concerning labels for Advanced Meat Recovery System product was taken in accordance with 9 CFR Part 500.8.
	10/20/06	12/11/06								Х		4/19/07	Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli).
TYSON'S FOODS, INC. 07221 M07221 P ROGERS, AR	5/7/07	5/25/07			Х	Х	X						
WAYNE FARMS, LLC 33890 M33885 P DECATUR, AL	3/5/07	3/15/07			Х	Х							

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Table 6. Administrative Actions: Small HACCP Plants (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Administrative Actions Pending or Taken at Small HACCP Plants [includes actions initiated in prior quarters]

Establishment/ Estab. Number Location	NOIE	Deferral	Suspension In Effect	Suspension in Abeyance		Bas	is for	Action	1		Clo	sure	Appeals and Actions
					SSOP	HACCP	<u>SPS</u>	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	Other	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
21ST CENTURY FOODS LTD 31588 M31588 P SAN ANTONIO, TX	11/29/06	12/7/06			X	Х	Х						
ARIES PREPARED BEEF CO. 06037 M06037 P BURBANK, CA	5/10/07	6/13/07			X	X	X						
ARISTA FOODS CORPORATION 07658 M07658 P ANAHEIM, CA	6/1/07				Х	Х				X			The enforcement action included, as a basis, failure of the establishment to comply with Agency requirements concerning specified risk material.
ASTRA FOODS, INC. 09591 M09591 P UPPER DARBY, PA	6/14/07	6/22/07				Х							
BENEDETTI FARMS INC. 18216 M18216 P SONOMA, CA	2/28/07		3/2/07	3/16/07	X	Х	Х						
C.W. BROWN & COMPANY 08871 M MOUNT ROYAL, NJ			8/9/05			X							
CAROLINA CULINARY FOODS 19676 M19676 P WEST COLUMBIA, SC	3/15/07	3/26/07			X	X	X						
COLEMAN NATURAL FOODS 07569 M07569 P WILLIAMSTOWN, NJ			6/27/07		X	Х	Х						
CONAGRA FOODS 17491 M17491 P NEWPORT, TN	5/4/07	5/11/07			Х	X	Х						

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					SSOP	<u>HACCP</u>	SPS	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
CRAVE ENTERPRISES, INC. 27348 M27348 P LOS ANGELES, CA			6/1/06	6/23/06	Х		Х						
DAVIS CREEK MEATS AND SEAFOOD, LLC 01947A M01947A P KALAMAZOO, MI			5/18/07	6/5/07		X				Х			Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli).
DAY-LEE FOODS, L.P. 17309 M17309 P SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA	5/16/06	6/7/06	10/18/06	1/24/07	X	Х							
DEAN SAUSAGE COMPANY/KENTUCKY FARM KITCHENS 06621A M ATTALLA, AL	6/15/07	6/29/07			X	X	X						
FOOD SOURCE, L.P. 13130 M13130 P MCKINNEY, TX	4/13/07	4/24/07			X	Х							
FORMOSA MEAT COMPANY, INC. 08256 M08256 P RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA	3/9/07	3/19/07			Х	X	Х						
FULTON PROCESSORS INC 00930 P FULTON, CA	2/21/07	3/23/07			Х	Х	Х						
HOSS'S FRESH EXPRESS, INC. 19058 M19058 P CLAYSBURG, PA			4/20/07	5/11/07	X	Х							
IMPERIAL MEAT COMPANY 04847 M04847 P MONTEREY PARK, CA			2/15/07	2/17/07	X		X						
KOCH FOODS OF ALABAMA, LLC 06529 P MONTGOMERY, AL	11/30/06	12/13/06			X	X	Х			X			Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli).

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Location							I	I					
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KOCH FOODS OF ALABAMA, LLC 33837 P MONTGOMERY, AL	6/21/07				Х	Х	X						
KONANYAN MEATS 00645 M02401 P LOS ANGELES, CA	10/17/06	11/2/06			X	Х	Х						
MANDA FINE MEATS 08746 M08746 P BATON ROUGE, LA	6/19/07	6/29/07			Х	Х	Х						
MEADOW FARMS SAUSAGE COMPANY 06028 M06028 P LOS ANGELES, CA	9/1/06	9/13/06			X	X							
MINNESOTA BEEF INDUSTRIES, INC. 17466 M BUFFALO LAKE, MN	9/21/05	9/29/05				Х							
NDK FOODS, INC. 17427 M17427 P BELL GARDENS, CA			9/7/06	9/29/06	X		Х						
NORTH AMERICAN BISON COOPERATIVE 18859 M18859 P NEW ROCKFORD, ND			4/19/07	4/20/07				Х					
NORTHERN PACKING COMPANY INC. 00571 M BRIAR HILL, NY	12/9/05	12/23/05	6/21/07		X	Х	X			X			The enforcement action included, as a basis, failure of the establishment to comply with Agency requirements concerning specified risk material.
OLD SETTLER'S JERKY INC. 09875 M09875 P COVINA, CA			4/25/06	4/29/06	X		X						
			7/25/06	7/28/06	X		Х						On 7/25/06, suspension was reinstated.

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Location					SSOP	HACCP	SPS	<u>INH</u>	INT	Other	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
ORVAL KENT FOOD COMPANY, INC. dba CHEF SOLUTIONS 02499 M02499 P WHEELING, IL	9/15/06	10/6/06	1/22/07	2/13/07	Х	X	Х						
PERFECTION FOODS CO., INC 21762 M21762 P PHILADELPHIA, PA	5/18/07	5/25/07			X	Х							
PETE'S FOOD PRODUCTS 04172 M LOS ANGELES, CA			12/27/06	1/3/07					X				
PILGRIM'S PRIDE 06719 P CHATTANOOGA, TN	3/14/07	3/22/07			X	X							
R.A.B. FOOD GROUP LLC 01406 M00761 P NEWARK, NJ			3/16/07		X		X						
RESSLER'S FOOD PRODUCTS CO. 01524 M01524 P PHILADELPHIA, PA	3/9/07	3/20/07	5/22/07	5/25/07	X	X	X						
RICE FIELD CORPORATION 20153 M20153 P CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA	4/13/07		4/24/07	5/1/07	Х	X	X						
SCALA PACKING CO., INC. 01731 M CHICAGO, IL	3/23/07	4/5/07			X	Х							
SIERRA MADRE FOODS 06009 M MONTEREY PARK, CA			1/18/05	1/24/05			X						
STAGNO'S MEAT COMPANY 02875 M MODESTO, CA	5/17/07		5/24/07	6/6/07	Х	Х		Х		X			The enforcement action included as a basis, failure of the establishment to comply with Agency requirements concerning specified risk material. Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli).

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					SSOP	HACCP	<u>SPS</u>	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
THE PORK CO. 20608 M WARSAW, NC	4/19/07	4/25/07			Х	X	Х						
U.S. CHOICE, INC. 04128 M04128 P LOS ANGELES, CA			10/19/06	10/30/06					X				
WINTER SAUSAGE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC. 10158 M10158 P EASTPOINTE, MI	6/21/07					Х							

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Table 7. Administrative Actions: Very Small HACCP Plants (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Administrative Actions Pending or Taken at Very Small HACCP Plants [includes actions initiated in prior quarters]

Establishment/ Estab. Number Location	NOIE	Deferral	Suspension In Effect	Suspension in Abeyance		Bas	sis for	Actio	n		Clo	osure	Appeals and Actions
					SSOP	HACCP	<u>SPS</u>	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
ABE'S PLACE DELICACIES 20339 M20339 P ALLENTOWN, PA	4/26/07	5/15/07			X	Х							
AL'S HICKORY HOUSE BARBEQUE 10760 M SHELBYVILLE, TN	5/31/07	6/25/07			X	X							
BACH CUC BEEF JERKY 18995 M18995 P SOUTH EL MONTE, CA	7/5/06	7/18/06			X	Х							
BASKIN BROWN'S MEAT LOCKER, INC. 07055 M07055 P STRATFORD, TX	11/27/06	12/8/06				X						6/4/07	
BENTON'S SMOKY MOUNTAIN HAMS 09127 M MADISONVILLE, TN	4/4/07	5/2/07			X	Х	Х						
BILLINGS MEATS & PROCESSING 20586 M GORDO, AL	3/15/07	4/5/07			X	X							
BRYANT'S MEATS INC. 06697 M06697 P TAYLORSVILLE, MS	6/28/07					X							
CECINA LOS AMIGOS 21653 M21653 P CARSON, CA			6/14/06	7/18/06	Х	X							
COAST PACKING CO. 00724A M00724A P COLTON, CA			9/15/06	9/21/06			Х					4/21/07	

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					SSOP	HACCP	SPS	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Other</u>	LOI	LOW	
COASTAL FOODSERVICE & PROVISION 17386 M17386 P PROVIDENCE, RI			2/1/07	2/1/07		Х						4/17/07	
COUNTRYSIDE QUALITY MEATS, L.L.C. 10147 M10147 P UNION CITY, MI	10/31/06	11/9/06			Х	X						4/6/07	
CPK QUALITY FOODS 32016 M32016 P BLAINE, MN	5/15/07	5/25/07				X							
EARL OF SAUSAGE, INC. 31844 M WILLERNIE, MN			4/23/07	6/15/07		Х							
G&W MEAT & BAVARIAN STYLE SAUSAGE CO. 08713 M08713 P ST. LOUIS, MO	10/5/06	10/26/06			X	Х	Х			Х		5/3/07	The enforcement action included, as a basis, failure of the establishment to comply with Agency requirements concerning specified risk material.
GARDELLA'S RAVIOLI CO. & ITALIAN DELI, LLC 05444 M VINELAND, NJ	6/15/07	6/28/07				Х							
GIBSON PACKING COMPANY 05843 M05843 P SEYMOUR, MO	9/21/06	10/20/06			Х	X	Х			Х		4/6/07	Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli). The enforcement action included, as a basis, failure of the establishment to comply with Agency requirements concerning specified risk material.
GRILLER'S PRIDE, LLC 31952 M31952 P DORAVILLE, GA	1/25/07	4/23/07			X	Х				Х			Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli).
GRIZZLY'S CUSTOM CUTTING 21554 M21554 P HUNT, NY	5/10/05		5/23/05	8/17/05		Х						4/4/07	
			10/5/05	5/23/06		X						4/4/07	On 2/16/06, an appeal was received. The appeal was denied on 3/31/06. On 10/5/05, suspension was reinstated.

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Location					SSOP	HACCP	SPS	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
INDIAN VALLEY MEATS, INC. 18154 M18154 P INDIAN, AK	9/14/06		10/13/06	10/27/06	Х	X	X		X			6/1/07	On 11/9/06, plant appealed the suspension. On 3/15/07, plant's appeal was denied.
J.M. PACKING, CO. 19804 M19804 P PONCE, PR			11/21/05	4/26/07	Х	X							
JOINES MEAT PROCESSING 21703 M21703 P CHILHOWIE, VA	4/3/07	4/26/07				X							
JOS. SANDERS, INC. 10269 M CUSTER, MI	12/1/06	12/15/06			X	Х						4/24/07	
KADEJAN INC 18688 P GLENWOOD, MN	4/17/07	4/27/07			Х	Х	Х						
KIOWA LOCKER SYSTEMS 21585 M21585 P KIOWA, KS	1/17/07				Х	Х							
KUBISCH SAUSAGE CO. 10116 M10116 P SHELBY TWP, MI	3/1/06	3/27/06			Х	X						5/14/07	
L & J MEAT MARKET, INC. 10131 M10131 P LAKE CITY, MI			4/19/07	4/20/07				X					
LE GOURMET LORRAIN INC 06604 M06604 P HYATTSVILLE, MD	1/3/07	1/16/07	2/1/07		Х	X							
LOS GALLEGUITOS CORP 05447 M20142 P UNION CITY, NJ			8/16/06	9/15/06		Х						5/18/07	
MAYAR'S HALAL MEAT PROCESSING 21595 M21595 P LIVINGSTON, CA			7/21/06	7/26/06					X				
,			11/29/06	12/4/06					Х				On 11/29/06, suspension was reinstated

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2004.1011					SSOP	HACCP	SPS	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
MICKELSEN PACKING INC 11070 M11070 P BLACKFOOT, ID	1/10/07	2/5/07			X	X	X			X			Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli).
MICROWARE ROASTERS INC 31770 M SELMA, AL	2/26/07	3/6/07			X	Х	X						
MITCHELL MEAT COMPANY 07295 M07295 P CHILLICOTHE, MO	12/5/06	1/11/07				X						4/17/07	
MOUNTAIN MEAT PACKING, INC 04979 M04979 P FRUITA, CO			6/19/07	6/29/07				X					
MUNSEY MEATS 31575 M MORRISTOWN, TN	6/8/07	6/15/07			X	Х							
NAMAN'S MEAT COMPANY, INC 27429 M 27429 P MOBILE, AL	4/9/07	4/17/07			Х	X	X						
NANA AND PAPA'S BAR-B-QUE 06737 M06737 P RUTHERFORD, TN	4/11/07	6/7/07			Х	Х	X						
NORCO RANCH INCORPORATED 01063 G NORCO, CA			6/21/07				Х						
PACFOODS, USA 09889 M09889 P HAYWARD, CA			8/26/02	10/17/02	X	Х							
			10/23/02		Х	X							On 10/23/02, suspension was reinstated.
PEL-FREEZ ARKANSAS, LLC 00202 P ROGERS, AR	6/29/07				X	X	X			X			Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli).

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Location					SSOP	HACCP	<u>SPS</u>	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
PERCIVAL PACKING L.L.C. 34001 M34001 P SCOTT CITY, KS	4/10/07	4/18/07			Х	X							
PRAIRIE PACKING INC. 07644 M07644 P WILLISTON, ND	3/30/07	5/2/07			Х	X	X						
R&P GOURMET FOOD PROCESSING, INC. 22002 M22002 P CARLOS, MN	11/30/06	12/8/06			X	X						4/27/07	
RICHARDSON CHICKEN FARM 10830 P WHITE MARSH, MD	2/12/07	3/15/07			Х	Х						6/6/07	
ROBERSONVILLE PACKING CO 22064 M22064 P ROBERSONVILLE, NC			5/2/07	5/3/07				X					
			5/9/07	5/14/07				Х					On 05/9/07, suspension was reinstated.
SHANGHAI EGG ROLLS 19212 M19212 P BECKLEY, WV	2/12/07		3/5/07	4/4/07	X	X	X					6/18/07	
SPECIAL AMERICA'S BBQ 11179 M OPA-LOCKA, FL			12/13/05			Х							
SUENO, LLC 20538 M20538 P PITTSBORO, NC	3/12/07		3/21/07	4/16/07	Х	X							
T.L. HERRING & CO. 11504 M11504 P WILSON, NC	4/24/07		5/2/07	6/5/07	Х	X	X						
ULEN LOCKER 31916 M31916 P ULEN, MN	11/17/06	11/30/06			X	Х	Х					4/20/07	

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					SSOP	HACCP	<u>SPS</u>	<u>INH</u>	<u>INT</u>	Other	<u>LOI</u>	LOW	
UNION SLAUGHTER HOUSE, INC. 13189 M DEL RIO, TX			2/14/07	2/15/07				X				6/12/07	
USA PORK PACKERS, INC. 20760 M20760 P HAZELTON, PA	2/14/07	3/7/07			Х		X			X		6/19/07	Plant failed to meet regulatory requirements for Escherichia coli Biotype 1 (E. coli).
WALT'S HOMESTYLE FOODS, INC 17443 M17443 P YANKTON, SD	6/19/07					X							
WENNEMAN MEAT CO. INC. 27499 M27499 P ST. LIBORY, IL	1/22/07	2/1/07			X	Х	Х					5/24/07	
WHITT'S BARBECUE 07302 M07302 P ANTIOCH, TN	12/6/06	12/15/06			X	Х						5/18/07	
YEE TUNG INC. 19014 P WESTVILLE, NY	6/14/07	6/27/07			Х		Х						

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Formal Adjudicatory Actions for Food Safety

Under the statutes it administers, FSIS can, in appropriate cases, move to withdraw grants of federal inspection from plants and plant owners based on the failure of a recipient of inspection service to meet critical sanitation and food safety regulatory requirements [e.g., Sanitation Standard Operating Procedures (SSOP) or Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) system regulations] necessary to protect the public health. In some situations, FSIS also can seek to deny inspection service to an applicant for failure to meet certain food safety regulatory requirements. These actions are taken in accordance with the FSIS Rules of Practice (9 CFR Part 500) and Department regulations governing formal adjudicatory proceedings (7 CFR Part 1, Subpart H). Plants and plant owners are provided with the opportunity for a hearing before a federal administrative law judge. **Table 8** identifies refusal and withdrawal actions pending or taken (other than outstanding consent decisions) on this basis for this reporting period. There were no actions initiated during this reporting period.

Withdrawal for Unfitness

Under the statutes it administers, FSIS also can move to withdraw inspection, after opportunity for a hearing, based on the unfitness of an applicant for or a recipient of inspection because of a felony conviction or more than one violation involving food. Actions pending or taken (other than outstanding consent decisions) are reported. **Table 9** identifies actions pending or taken (other than outstanding consent decisions) on this basis for this reporting period. There were no new unfitness actions initiated this reporting period.

Table 9. Withdrawal for Unfitness (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Administrative Actions Pending or Taken for Unfitness [includes actions initiated in prior quarters]

Establishment	Complaint to Deny/Withdraw Inspection	Consent Order	Decision and Order	Action Summary
ALMACENES DE TEJAS, L.P. d/b/a ADT, AND ALLEN JACKSON HAUSMAN 17083 M SAN ANTONIO, TX	03/15/07		06/27/07	On March 15, 2007, FSIS filed a complaint to withdraw voluntary reimbursable inspection service based on the conviction of the corporation, Almacenes De Tejas, L.P. d/b/a ADT, and its president, Allen Jackson Hausman on two (2) each misdemeanor counts related to food. On June 27, 2007, the firm and its owner, Mr. Hausman, entered into a Consent Decision and Order (Order), with FSIS as a result of an administrative withdrawal action. The Order requires, among other things, compliance with SSOP, sanitation performance standards, written control procedures of FSIS controlled products, and ethical business practice training. The Order is effective for two (2) years.
BLUE RIDGE POULTRY OF ATHENS, INC. AND ROBERT T. HARRIS, JR. 08307 P ATHENS, GA	03/15/07			On March 15, 2007, FSIS filed a complaint to withdrawal inspection service based on the conviction of the corporate president, Robert T. Harris, Jr., on three (3) misdemeanor counts related to food. On May 18, 2007, an Administrative Law Judge issued an Order dismissing the complaint.
BRESTENSKY MEAT MARKET, INC., AND STEPHEN T. BRESTENSKY 09407 M FREEPORT, PA			04/26/07	On April 26, 2007, the firm, Brestensky Meat Market, Inc., and Stephen T. Brestensky, President, entered into an Amended Stipulation and Consent Decision (Amended Decision) with FSIS. The Amended Decision extends Agency jurisdiction for five (5) years and contains provisions to ensure compliance with SSOP, HACCP and recordkeeping requirements.

Removing Exempt Privilege

The meat and poultry laws exempt certain custom, retail, or other operations from inspection. For example, custom exempt businesses slaughter animals or poultry, or process meat and poultry for owners of the animals or products. When insanitary conditions create health hazards, FSIS may remove custom or other exempt privileges through issuance of a Notice of Ineligibility (complaint), and require the business to cease operations until sanitary conditions are restored. FSIS can also take action when custom or other exempt facilities fail to properly label product as "Not for Sale." These exempt businesses have the opportunity to correct violations prior to such actions, contest the basis for such actions at hearings, and to enter settlement agreements (consent orders) to resolve actions. **Table 10** lists exempt actions pending or taken (other than outstanding consent orders) on this basis for this reporting period. There were two new actions initiated this reporting period.

Table 10. Exempt Actions (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Administrative Actions Taken at Exempt Facilities

Name	Complaint Served	Consent Order	Decision and Order	Action Summary
BANCROFT MEAT PROCESSORS, INC. HOWARD PETERSEN, OWNER BANCROFT, NE		04/23/07		On April 23, 2007, the firm and Mr. Petersen entered into an Amended Consent Agreement (Agreement) with FSIS as settlement of an administrative withdrawal of custom exempt eligibility. The Agreement is applicable for eighteen (18) months and requires Bancroft to ensure that operations are conducted in a sanitary manner and that products are not adulterated,2 and to monitor and document pre-operational and operational sanitation.
BUTCHER BLOCK LAURN AND KAY OLTMER, OWNERS INDIANOLA, NE	04/10/07			On April 10, 2007, a Notice of Ineligibility to conduct custom exempt operations was issued to the firm.
CARROLL L. SCHISLER, SR. AND CARROLL L. SCHISLER, JR. NEW WINDSOR, MD	04/21/06			On April 20, 2006, a Notice of Ineligibility to conduct custom exempt operations was issued to the firm. A pending administrative hearing is unscheduled at this time.

FSIS Adjudications

CRIMINAL ACTIONS

If evidence is found that a person or business has engaged in violations of the Federal Meat Inspection Act, Poultry Products Inspection Act, or Egg Products Inspection Act, USDA may refer the case to the appropriate United States Attorney to pursue criminal prosecution. Conviction for a criminal offense can result in a fine, imprisonment, or both. **Table 11** lists criminal actions and criminal cases in categories according to the status of the case, which may be indictment or information issued, pleas, convictions, or acquittals, and sentences rendered during this reporting period.

Table 11. Criminal Actions (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Criminal Actions

Name	Indictment	Information	Plea	Sentencing	Action Summary
ANSTINE ENTERPRISES, INC. dba KINGSVILLE HOG MARKET AND RICK D. ANSTINE, AND QUEEN'S MARKET, LLC AND KIM HUE HUYNH AND NHAN PHU PHAM KANSAS CITY, MO	08/24/06				On August 24, 2006, in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri, Mr. Rick D. Anstine and Anstine Enterprises, Inc. dba Kingsville Hog Market, and Kim Hue Huynh and Nhan Phu "John" Pham and Queen's Market LLC, were indicted on twenty-two (22) counts of conspiring to commit mail fraud, violate the FMIA, distribute adulterated food, and offer for sale uninspected and inedible food.
DOWNSVILLE FOODS, LLC, BRENT CREEL AND CARL W. BROWN MONROE, LA			06/21/07		On June 21, 2007, in the Western District of Louisiana, Downsville Foods, LLC, Mr. Brent Creel and Carl Brown entered guilty pleas to charges of violating the FMIA and PPIA. The individuals plead guilty to two (2) counts of violating the FMIA and one (1) count of violating the PPIA. Mr. Thomas Wayne Creel, Agent-in-Fact, for Downsville Foods, LLC, plead guilty on behalf of the corporation to two (2) counts, one (1) count of violating the FMIA and one count violating the PPIA. Downsville Foods, LLC agreed to fines of \$50,000 per count (\$100,000 total), reimbursement of FSIS cost of investigations (\$26,230) and a special assessment of \$250. The sentencing of the individuals, Mr. Creel and Mr. Brown will be held September 17, 2007.
WOOLF INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION, HOWARD J. WOOLF, PRESIDENT AND INTERNATIONAL PACKERS CORPORATION, LAWRENCE GREENBERG, OWNER RUSSELL B. SKIDDS WAYNE CIARAMITARO JOSEPH SCRENCI JAMES D. TAYLOR JOSEPH YURITTA BOSTON, MA			05/30/07	05/30/07	On May 30, 2007, in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, defendants for Woolf International Corporation and International Packers Corporation plead guilty to charges stemming from illegal meat repackaging and to other crimes. Mr. Howard J. Woolf, President, Woolf International Corporation, was sentenced on three (3) felony counts of conspiracy, mail fraud, and filing false tax returns, placed on one (1) year probation, and fined \$1000 and a special assessment fee of \$400. Lawrence Greenberg, owner, International Packers Corporation, was sentenced on six (6) felony counts and received 90 days incarceration in a halfway house, five (5) years probation, 100 hours of community service, a \$40,000 fine, and a \$600 special assessment fee. The remaining defendants received varying probationary terms and fines. Russell B. Skidds was sentenced on two (2) felony counts, placed on three (3) years probation, and fined a \$300 special assessment fee. Wayne Ciaramitaro was sentenced on two (2) felony counts, placed on two (2) years probation, and fined \$1000 and a \$300 special assessment fee. Joseph Screnci was sentenced on three (3) felony counts, placed on one (1) year probation, and fined \$5,000 and a \$300 special assessment fee. James D. Taylor was sentenced on two (2) felony counts, placed on one (1) year probation, and fined \$2,000 and a \$300 special assessment fee. Joseph Yuritta was sentenced on two (2) felony counts, placed on one (1) year probation, and fined \$2,000 and a \$300 special assessment fee. Joseph Yuritta was sentenced on two (2) felony counts, placed on one (1) year probation, and fined \$5,000 and a \$300 special assessment fee. Joseph Yuritta was sentenced on two (2) felony counts, placed on one (1) year probation, and fined \$5,000 and a \$300 special assessment fee.

PRE-TRIAL DIVERSION AGREEMENTS

In certain situations, United States Attorneys may enter into Pre-Trial Diversion (PTD) agreements. Under these agreements, the government agrees not to proceed with criminal prosecution if the alleged violator meets certain terms and conditions. The terms and conditions of a PTD are tailored to fit each individual case. FSIS frequently monitors these agreements so that it can assist the United States Attorneys in determining whether prosecution should be re-instituted. If the divertee successfully completes the program, no criminal charges are filed. If, on the other hand, the divertee does not successfully complete the program, criminal charges may be reinstated. There were two pre-trial diversion agreements this quarter. One agreement involved a managing official at a warehouse distribution firm in the Northeastern United States. The firm and managing official were cited for apparent violations of the FMIA involving adulterated products. The pre-trial diversion is effective for a 6-month period and prohibits the firm and individual involved from violating any Federal, state or local laws. The agreement also stipulates that the individual must perform one hundred hours of community service. Another agreement involved a managing official at a meat slaughter and processing firm in the Northeastern United States. The managing official was cited for apparent violations of the FMIA involving adulterated products. The pre-trial diversion is effective for a 6-month period and prohibits the individual involved from violating any Federal, state or local laws.

CIVIL ACTIONS

FSIS also has authority to seek a variety of civil actions and case dispositions in Federal Court.

Seizures

When FSIS has reason to believe distributed products are adulterated, misbranded, or otherwise in violation of law, the Agency will, through the USDA Office of the General Counsel and United States Attorney, institute a seizure action against the product. The product is held pending an

adjudication of its status. If the court finds that the product is adulterated, misbranded, or otherwise in violation of FSIS laws, it will condemn the product. Condemned product cannot be further processed to be used for human food. **Table 12** lists seizure actions and seizure cases. There were no seizure actions initiated during this reporting period.

Injunctions

FSIS, through the U.S. Attorney, may request a U.S. District Court to enjoin ongoing or repetitive violations of the FMIA, PPIA, or EPIA. The Agency seeks injunctions to stop, for example, uninspected retail stores from processing products without required inspection for wholesale business or to prevent or restrain other violations of law. **Table 13** lists civil actions and civil cases. There was one injunction initiated during this reporting period.

Table 13. Civil Actions (4/01/07 to 6/30/07)

Civil Actions

Name	Complaint	Injunction	Action Summary
KAMKEU ORIENTAL MARKET (KAMKEU) FANG Y. CENG, PRESIDENT SOMERVILLE, NJ	05/1/07	06/20/07	On June 20, 2007, in the United States Court, District of New Jersey, Kamkeu Oriental Market (Kamkeu), a retailer in the designated State of New Jersey, entered into a Consent Decree that permanently enjoins the owner and the firm from violating the Federal Meat Inspection Act. Kamkeu was charged with selling, transporting and offering for sale uninspected and misbranded meat food products required to be federally inspected within the State of New Jersey.

False Claims Act and Other Actions

The Department of Justice Affirmative Civil Enforcement (ACE) program is used by U.S. Attorneys to recover damages when a violation of law involves fraud against the Federal government. Under the False Claims Act, the government may recover three times its estimated losses. FSIS typically seeks action under this program for cases involving products, not in compliance, sold to the military, to public schools engaged in the school lunch program, or to other Federal institutions. **Table 14** lists ACE actions and other cases involving civil enforcement or settlement. There were no ACE program or other civil case actions reported for this period.

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