Conference for Food Protection 2010-2012 Executive Board Meeting Committee Update

Council I – Committee Summary Report

Date of Committee Report: March 2, 2011

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Committee Charges:

The Conference recommends

A:

The re-creation of the CFP Plan Review Committee to review and update the following Conference for Food Protection documents and present their finding at the 2012 CFP Biennial Meeting:

- 1) Temporary Food Establishments
- 2) Permanent Outdoor Cooking Operations

B:

The Council will consider forming a Wild Harvested Mushrooms Committee to continue discussion of this issue (Wild Harvested Mushrooms) and that the following language and attachments for consideration to be placed on the CFP website as guidance listing steps that states can use to develop and implement a wild harvested mushroom program for their state.

The charges of the committee will be:

- 1) Develop guidelines to help regulators address the issue of wild mushrooms in food establishments.
- 2) Report back at the 2012 CFP.

C:

The Conference Recommends that a Recall Evaluation Committee be formed and work with FDA, USDA, and states on the following charge:

- 1) Clarify the system of classification for recalls established by USDA and FDA.
- 2) Create clarifying instructions and procedures that industry and consumers can easily understand and comply with.
- 3) Recommend enforceable and reasonable time frames for execution of recall communications and actions.
- 4) Clarify the information required to be included in supplier recall notifications.
- 5) Recommend expectations for the notification of end-users, including restaurant and retail customers as well as school and institutional food service.
- 6) Report back to the 2012 Biennial Meeting.

Committees Assigned to Council I:

The CFP Executive Board approved the chairs of the following Council I committees on June 18, 2010.

- 1) Plan Review Committee: Liza Frias, Co-chair, Richard Akin, Co-chair
- 2) Wild Harvested Mushrooms Committee: Lisa Brown, Co-chair, Chris Gordon, Co-chair
- 3) Recall Evaluation Committee: Gregory Pallaske, Co-chair, Craig Harris, Co-chair

Progress Report/Committee Activities:

Committee Reports have been submitted for approval. Current rosters have been submitted as requested.

Requested Actions for all Council I Committees:

The three committees have been holding periodic conference calls. All committees are making progress at accomplishing the charges as assigned.

The Recall Evaluation Committee has requested utilizing a graduate student to compile recall data. The committee has proposed hiring a researcher position for an estimated 50 hours of work. The committee will submit any additional documents needed for the proposal, if money is available from CFP.