Conference for Food Protection 2004-2006 Executive Board Meeting Committee Update

Council II Emergency Preparedness Committee Report

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Committee Charge:

"The Conference recommends that the Conference For Food

Protection should form an Emergency Preparedness and Response Committee to review and recommend uniform educational and instructional materials that communication emergency procedures for food establishments including:

- A generic emergency management framework with recommended roles and Responsibilities for both public and private sectors during imminent health hazards,
- b. Specific guidance for the specific scenarios identified in the FDA Model Food Code Section 8-404.11, Ceasing Operations & Reporting, and

Tools that assist food managers to participate in coordinated public and private sector responses to food emergencies

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Progress Report/Committee Activities:

The committee continues to meet on a monthly basis via teleconference. The document "Emergency Action Plans for Retail Food Establishments", Michigan Department of Agriculture is being used as a template for discussion purposes. The committee has systematically reviewed and commented on sections dealing with:

- Responsibilities of the permit holder and regulatory authorities during an emergency
- Planning ahead
- Interruption of electrical service
- Interruption of water service

Due to summer schedules, the June and July meetings were cancelled. The committee is slated to review and comment on the following:

- Contaminated water (biological)
- Sewage back-up
- Fire
- Flood

Calendar of Activities for 2005

The Committee will continue to teleconference at 2:00 PM eastern standard time on the third Friday of each month. It is anticipated that the committee will complete the review and comment phase by December 2005.

Requested Action: none at this time