

Proposal Subject: PHP Validation and Verification Costs

Specific NSSP Guide Reference: NSSP Guide Section II. Chapter XVI. Post-Harvest Processing

Text of Proposal/ Requested Action In 2003 the Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference (ISSC) acknowledged the public health benefits of Post-Harvest Processing (PHP) to reduce *Vibrio vulnificus* (V.v.) levels in shellfish. The Conference has continued to support the voluntary adoption of PHP by the shellfish industry. In subsequent years the Conference adopted validation and verification procedures for dealers utilizing PHP. The cost of validation and verification continues to be an obstacle for many smaller dealers. The procedure should be reviewed to identify ways to reduce costs while continuing to provide a reasonable level of public health protection

Public Health Significance:

Cost Information (if available):

Action by 2013 Task Force II Recommended referral of Proposal 13-220 to an appropriate committee as determined by the Conference Chairman.

Action by 2013 General Assembly Adopted recommendation of 2013 Task Force II on Proposal 13-220.

Action by FDA May 5, 2014 Concurred with Conference action on Proposal 13-220.