

**ISSC 2023  
Committee Report**

**Committee Name :** Traceability  
**Chairperson:** Bill Dewey  
**Date of Meeting:** 3/19/23  
**Recorder:** Bill Dewey

**Approved By:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Bill Dewey** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name:** Bill Dewey

**Committee Members Present:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Dewey<br>(Chairperson) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Rheault      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julie Anbarchian<br>(FDA Delegate) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Bell<br>(NOAA Delegate) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Erik Broussard              | <input type="checkbox"/> Miranda Ries                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Raymon Burditt<br>(FDA Advisor)    |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lori Howell                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wec Terry        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Kramer<br>(EPA Delegate)      |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alex Hay                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Danielle Schools | <input type="checkbox"/> Alex Miller                                   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ian Jefferds                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carter Witten    |  |  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Brian Yarmosh               |  |  |

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**Charges**

**Charge 1: Continue to identify strategies for enhancing traceback capabilities of the NSSP. The discussion should include a review of new technologies.**

Findings/Conclusions: The meeting was called to order at 1:15 pm. A quorum was established, and the committee heard two presentations.

The first presentation from Call Nichols and Chip Terry with BlueTrace (blue-trace.com formerly OysterTracker) was a demonstration of their digital tagging app. The committee had a virtual presentation on BlueTrace’s harvester and dealer app previously. Since that presentation a distributor version of the app and a digital recall feature have been added. The demonstration included a walk through of a harvest, sale to a dealer, distribution, recall and export of logs that fulfill record keeping requirements. It was reported that 350 companies in North America are now using the BlueTrace app and tag printing hardware.

The second presentation was from Keith Jackson, who along with Traceability Chairman Bill Dewey, serve on the Conference for Food Protection/ISSC Joint Shellfish Committee. Keith serves on both the ISSC Executive Board and the CFP Board and is a liaison between the two. Tracebacks often fail at the retail level or result in overly broad recalls because retailers and restaurants are not properly retaining tags, storing them chronologically for 90 days and marking the last day product was used from the container. The CFP/ISSC Joint Shellfish Committee has regulatory and industry subcommittees that have been meeting intensively over the past year and a half. They have developed educational materials for retail and restaurant staff and managers as well as retail and restaurant inspectors to improve compliance with the Model Food Code shellfish requirements for shellfish traceability. Keith gave a presentation showing these materials, some of which are available in Spanish as well as English. The conference for Food Protection meets April 24-28, 2023, to consider adopting the educational materials. If adopted they will be made available on the CFP website. Once adopted it was suggested by a non-committee audience member that a presentation be developed that SSCA’s could use during trainings they do with retail inspectors to make them aware of the educational materials.

Recommendations: There were no recommendations.