

Proposal Subject:	<i>Vibrio vulnificus</i> Contingency Plan
Specific NSSP Guide Reference:	National Shellfish Sanitation Program (NSSP) Guide for the Control of Molluscan Shellfish: 2011 Revision Section II – Chapter II Risk Assessment & Risk Management @05 D. (1), (2)
Text of Proposal/ Requested Action	<p>D. The State shall develop a <i>Vibrio vulnificus</i> Contingency Plan should the risk evaluation indicate:</p> <p>(1) Any etiologically confirmed shellfish-borne <i>Vibrio vulnificus</i> illness from the growing waters of that State but the number of cases does not reach the threshold established in @.04@.05 C;and</p> <p>(2) Information on Levels of <i>Vibrio vulnificus</i>, if available in the growing waters or in shellfish that is reasonably likely to cause an illness;</p>
Public Health Significance:	There are no known levels of <i>Vibrio vulnificus</i> in growing waters or in shellfish that are reasonably likely to cause illness. <i>V. v.</i> is present in all coastal waters in the US, there is not public health reason for States that do not have any illnesses associated with their product to have a contingency plan. Requirement of a contingency plan should not be mandatory and if needed would be included in the State’s annual evaluation for <i>Vibrio</i> .
Cost Information (if available):	This change could possibly be a cost savings.
Action by 2013 Task Force II	Recommended adoption of Proposal 13-207 as submitted.
Action by 2013 General Assembly	Adopted recommendation of 2013 Task Force II on Proposal 13-207.
Action by FDA May 5, 2014	Concurred with Conference action on Proposal 13-207.