Proposal Subject: Continuing Education Requirement for Certified Shellfish Dealers

Specific NSSP Guide Reference: NSSP Guide Section II. Model Ordinance
Chapter I. Shellfish Sanitation Program
@.02 Dealer Certification A. General

Text of Proposal/ Requested Action

(2) Certification shall be given only to persons who meet the established requirements established for certification.

a. All persons prior to applying for plant certification shall complete 3 hours annually of continuing education hours to maintain certification by the Authority and listing the ICSSL. Continuing Education hours could include attendance at ISSC meetings attendance at regional shellfish sanitation conferences, attendance at regional shellfish association meetings, or any other conference or meeting approved by the Authority.

Public Health Significance: This requirement will better inform certified dealers of new guidelines set forth in the NSSP.

Cost Information (if available): The cost would include registration fee and certification certificate for dealer to attend continuing education course.

Action by 2009 Task Force II: Recommended referral of Proposal 09-203 to an appropriate committee as determined by the Conference Chairman.

Action by 2009 General Assembly Adopted recommendation of 2009 Task Force II on Proposal 09-203.

Action by USFDA 02/16/2010 Concurred with Conference action on Proposal 09-203.

Action by 2011 Education Committee Recommended no action on Proposal 09-203.

Rationale: Every state has certification requirements which include demonstration of knowledge through experience or education. No further education requirement is needed at this time.

Action by 2011 Task Force II Tabled consideration of Proposal 09-203 until Wednesday, October 5, 2011.

Additional Action by 2011 Task Force II Recommended adoption of Education Committee recommendation of no action on Proposal 09-203.

Rationale: This proposal is addressed in Proposal 09-212.

Action by 2011 General Assembly Adopted recommendation of 2011 Task Force II on Proposal 09-203.

Action by FDA February 26, 2012 Concurred with Conference action on Proposal 09-203.