

# ***Vibrio vulnificus* SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING**

## **AGENDA FOR AUGUST 10 & 11, 2004**

### **Tuesday, August 10, 2004**

1:00 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER

1:01 P.M. - ROLL CALL - DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

1:05 P.M.- TOPICS AND POINTS OF DISCUSSION

*Note: Time frames are meant to focus discussion to the point of motion making. If the committee is not at this point at the end of the discussion time, a motion should be made to continue discussion at a future time based upon issue submission deadlines.*

**1. Review completion of new work plan items assigned to the ISSC Executive Office. – 60 minutes**

- Review those work plan elements that were to have been completed since the March 2004 Vv subcommittee meeting. These items are as follows:
  1. Report the results of the PHT capacity survey.
  2. Report on status of the letter that was approved as presented at the March 2004 Vv subcommittee meeting and was sent to the states to emphasize proper disease reporting.
  3. Present the framework for the Vv work plan review in 2004 as required in Issue 00-201.

\*Vv subcommittee to review any additional comments on efforts necessary to complete work plan elements

**2. Continue to encourage industry-implemented post-harvest controls to reduce Vv levels. The Subcommittee is further charged to provide guidance to the states on incentives for PHT and measures of PHT capacity. - 45 minutes**

Principle points of discussion

- Work group to present recommendations
- Define “raw shellfish”
- List all PHT methods contained within the Model Ordinance in matrix format.
- Develop directives/guidelines to educate retailers about post harvest treated shellfish.
- Review recommended incentives for post harvest treatments in light of the post harvest treatment survey information.

3. **Evaluate Year 2001 survey results and compare with Year 2003 or 2004 survey results to determine effectiveness in meeting the objectives of the Vv education effort: -- 40% increase in awareness of risk from Vv; -- 15% increase in at-risk consumers no longer eating raw oysters; -- minimize impacts to non-at-risk consumers. – 30 minutes**

Principle points of discussion

- Update on the 2004 Vv education follow up survey

## **BREAK**

4. **Compile and review data on rates of illness. - 30 minutes**

Principle points of discussion

- The Vv illness data analysis work group (Members: Jennifer Tebaldi, Chair; Angela Ruple; Mark Glatzer; Al Rainosek and Dr. John Painter) shall present the Vv illness data with a focus upon the progress attained toward the Vv illness reduction goals.
- Jennifer Tebaldi will bring the committee up to date the committee on the March 2004 request to update rate of illness chart with 2003 data; reconciled 95/99 baseline comparing all separately; core states to all states; and core minus California
- Ken will update the committee on the request to find out how much shellstock was coming to California May 1 through September 30 each year before the ban and after the ban

5. **Evaluate the effectiveness of illness reduction efforts which will be conducted collectively at the end of the 5<sup>th</sup> year – 12/31/06. – 30 minutes**

Principle points of discussion

- Semi - annual evaluation of illness reduction efforts
- Ken will update the committee on the effort to contact all known entities involved in Vv education to coordinate efforts.

## **Wednesday, August 11, 2004**

8:00 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER

8:01 A.M. - ROLL CALL - DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

8:05 A.M.- TOPICS AND POINTS OF DISCUSSION

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**6. Evaluate the requirements in Section .04C to determine if changes in controls are necessary to achieve targeted illness reduction goals. – 30 minutes**

Principle points of discussion

- Semi - annual evaluation of controls in place to achieve illness reduction goals
- Ken will update the committee on the progress of the work group formed to develop and explore environmental data reporting possibilities (salinity, water temperature, Vibrio levels, etc.) from states to the industry and others upon request.

**7. Review the current ISSC effort to establish a profile for sensory characteristics for raw oysters. – 30 minutes**

Principle points of discussion

- Update on the sensory characteristics study and the efforts by the ISSC Executive Director to contact the principal investigator of the sensory characteristics study and assure that shellfish from the Northwest and Northeast be included in the study.

**8. Review the efforts to obtain information from the states on the number of harvest vessels with refrigeration on board and the capacity of these vessels to add refrigeration. – 30 minutes**

Principle points of discussion

- Discuss available information to evaluate existing and potential refrigeration capacity aboard harvest vessels.
- Discuss the current capacity in the harvest fleet to provide on board refrigeration
- Determine if there is potential weight load and space capacity on board these vessels to add refrigeration.

**9. Review the need to make changes to the current contents and recent additions to Chapter 16, Post-Harvest Treatment, in the Model Ordinance. – 30 minutes**

Principle points of discussion

- Review the progress to date on the review of the elements in Chapter 16 of the Model Ordinance to determine the appropriateness of controls for post harvest treatment. The matrix work group is to address many of these issues under item 2.

**10. Review status of approved methods for Vv detection. – 30 minutes**

Principle points of discussion

- Ken will update the committee on the ISSC efforts concerning lab methodology approval.