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MEMORANDUM

TO: Validation/Verification Workgroup Members

FROM: Ken B. Moore, Executive Director *Ken B. Moore*

DATE: May 18, 2009

RE: Validation/Verification Workgroup Appointment

This memorandum is to confirm your appointment by the Conference Executive Board Chairman to the Validation/Verification Workgroup. Angela Ruple will serve as Workgroup Chairperson. The workgroup will report to the Vibrio Management Committee.

The Validation Verification Workgroup is assigned the following tasks for 2009:

- Complete revisions and finalize the background document for Post Harvest Processing to reduce *vibrios* in shellfish. This work documents the history of the development of the Validation for *Vibrio vulnificus* and *vibrio parahaemolyticus* for added-safety validation and verification. The background document will be included in the NSSP Guide Section Public Health Reasons and Explanations.
- Draft a proposal to incorporate Validation/Verification of Post Harvest Processes into Model Ordinance satisfactory. Include a reference in the proposal. The draft proposal should be returned to the VMC for review prior to submission to the conference in June 2009.
- Address the method currently recommended for confirmation of *V. vulnificus* in validation and verification protocols which is no longer in BAM as referenced in the Model Ordinance. Submit a proposal for this change if appropriate.
- Determine the feasibility of using end-point testing rather than process validation.
- Identify references which are erroneously included in the Verification section of the Guide.

If you are unable to participate in the activities of this Workgroup, please contact me at 803-788-7559 or at issc@issc.org. Thank you for your interest and support of the ISSC and we look forward to working with you.

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