TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

10th Annual Low Moisture Food Safety Task Force Meeting
Nathan Anderson, Ph.D., Research Agricultural Engineer, Office of Food Safety, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, (FDA)
Elizabeth Grasso-Kelley, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Food Science & Nutrition, Illinois Tech, Institute for Food Safety and Health (IFSH)

- Welcoming Remarks & Meeting Goals
- “Hot Topic”: Flour Safety and FDA’s Sampling Study
  Aparna Tatavarthy, Ph.D., Microbiologist, Office of Food Safety, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, (FDA)
- IFSH Low Moisture Food Safety Research Update: Lighting Round
- Extrusion Best Practices Working Group Update
- NEW USDA Funded Research: Sustainable, Systems-Based Solutions for Ensuring Low-Moisture Food Safety
- Task Force Member Needs and Future Directions (open discussion)
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Sprout Safety Task Force
Barbara Sanderson, Owner, Jonathan Sprouts
Tong-Jen Fu, Ph.D., Research Chemical Engineer, Office of Food Safety, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

- Welcome and Introduction
- Regulatory Update
  Mark Moorman, Ph.D., Director, Office of Food Safety, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- Sprout Safety and Emerging Issues: ISGA Perspectives
  Carmen Wakeling, Owner, Eatmore Sprouts, President, International Sprout Growers Association (ISGA)
- Sprout Safety Alliance – An Update
  Kaiping Deng, Ph.D., Senior Scientist and Sprout Safety Alliance (SSA) Coordinator, Institute for Food Safety and Health (IFSH)
- Sprout Industry Hold-and-Release Testing Results
- IFSH Research: Impact of Temperature on Salmonella Proliferation in Alfalfa Sprouts during Storage
- Discussion: Issues and Research Needs
  o Food Code: sprouts as a TCS food?
  o Value of discontinuing a seed lot on first SIW positive
  o Testing for non-O157 STEC
  o EPA registration of seed treatment chemicals
  o Competitive exclusion and other research needs
Hex & Beverage Safety Task Force

Alvin Lee, Ph.D., Director, Center for Processing Innovation, Institute for Food Safety and Health (IFSH), Associate Professor, Department of Food Science and Nutrition, Illinois Tech

Glenn Black, Ph.D., Associate Director of Research, Office of Food Safety, U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

- Introductions, Welcoming Remarks, Updates & Meeting Goals
- Updates from Low Acid Workgroup
- Updates from High Acid Workgroup (USDA NIFA Grant)
- FDA Perspectives on Validation and Updates
- Cold Pressure Council Updates
- Technology Updates and Presentation
- “Hot Topics” and Future Directions Discussion
- Summarize and Wrap-Up