

FDA STAFF MANUAL GUIDES, VOLUME I - ORGANIZATIONS AND FUNCTIONS

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

OFFICE OF FOODS AND VETERINARY MEDICINE

CENTER FOR FOOD SAFETY AND APPLIED NUTRITION

OFFICE OF FOOD SAFETY

DIVISION OF PLANT AND DAIRY FOOD SAFETY

Effective Date: October 1, 2012

1. DIVISION OF PLANT AND DAIRY FOOD SAFETY (DJJHDC).

- A. Develops regulations, guidance, policy, programs, position papers, and advisory opinions, and recommends research priorities for issues related to the safety, defense, composition, and quality of plant foods, dairy foods, eggs, game meats, and beverages.
- B. Provides expert advice to the Center Director, other Centers, FDA, and government officials. Serves as principal Center liaison to industry, international and other organizations on issues related to plant foods, dairy foods, eggs, game meats, and beverages.
- C. As necessary, reviews industry petitions and regulatory actions, including information about proposed enforcement actions that is provided by the Office of Compliance, to determine if those actions within the Division's purview are supported by relevant science and established program priorities, policy, and guidance. Determines, where policy or guidance do not exist, whether the Division can provide expert scientific testimony to support the actions and provides technical review of laboratory analyses supporting proposed enforcement actions.
- D. Reviews and accepts or rejects the sanitary design and construction standards for milk equipment.
- E. Standardizes, certifies, and evaluates FDA and state staff i.e. ORA regional milk specialists, state regulatory agencies and international third parties relevant to standardizing and certifying the evaluation of state and international milk programs.

- F. Collaborates with other parts of the Agency to identify emerging needs, and to plan, develop, and coordinate compliance programs, field assignments, and work plans, as related to food safety.

2. PLANT PRODUCTS BRANCH (DJJHDC1).

- A. Develops regulations, guidance, policy, programs, position papers, and advisory opinions, and recommends research priorities for issues related to plant and plant derived foods and beverages and bottled water.
- B. Develops, collects, and interprets data regarding the safety, defense, composition, quality, and manufacture of plant and plant derived foods and beverages and bottled water.
- C. Provides expert policy, scientific and technical advice to the Center Director, Deputy Center Directors, other Centers, FDA, and government officials. Serves as the principal Center liaison to industry, international and other organizations on issues related to plant and plant derived foods and beverages and bottled water.
- D. Reviews proposed regulatory actions referred by the Office of Compliance for policy consideration and provides technical evaluation and necessary scientific support on cases related to plant and plant derived foods and beverages and bottled water.
- E. Reviews petitions on plant and plant derived foods and beverages, bottled water, and other products related to this office.
- F. Serves as the agency focal point for the development and evaluation of programs and the implementation of the laws and regulations related to this office regarding plant and plant derived foods and beverages, bottled water, and other miscellaneous issues.

3. DAIRY AND EGG BRANCH (DJJHDC2).

- A. Develops regulations, guidance, policy, programs, position papers, and advisory opinions, and recommends research priorities for issues related to the safety, defense, composition, and quality of dairy foods, eggs, and game meats.
- B. Provides expert advice to the Center Director, Deputy Center Directors, and other Center, FDA, and government officials. Serves as principal Center liaison to industry, international and other organizations on issues related to dairy foods, eggs, and game meats.
- C. Reviews and accepts or rejects the sanitary design and construction standards for milk equipment.

- D. Standardizes, certifies, and evaluates FDA and state staff i.e. ORA regional milk specialists, state regulatory agencies and international third parties relevant to standardizing and certifying the evaluation of state and international milk programs.
- E. Collaborates with other parts of the Agency to identify emerging needs, and to plan, develop, and coordinate compliance programs, field assignment, and work plans as related to food safety.
- F. Facilitates trade with other countries by issuing health certificates, certificates of free sale, administering the Federal Import Milk Act, and listing firms eligible for export.

4. AUTHORITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

The functional statements for this Division were approved by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, effective October 1, 2012.

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The following is the Food and Drug Administration, Office of Foods and Veterinary Medicine, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, Office of Food Safety, Division of Plant and Dairy Food Safety organization structure depicting all the organizational structures reporting to the Office Director.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR:

- Plant Products Branch
- Dairy and Egg Branch