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University of Minnesota Food Safety Summit

Greetings:

The Des Moines District Office, in conjunction with University of Minnesota is providing a learning opportunity for all who are interested in food safety and public health. We invite you to participate in the USDA FSIS Des Moines District Food Safety Summit on Thursday, September 3, 2015. The goal of the summit is to educate, exchange information, and open the lines of communication between the different segments of industry, public health officials, and regulatory agencies.

The topics of discussion will be:

- Poultry Rules w/Light Turkey Syndrome Update
- *Listeria* Compliance Guidelines
- The Missing Links in Food Safety: Effective Validated Employee Training, Monitoring and Corrective Actions/Sanitizer Use
- Jerky Compliance Guidelines
- Food Defense/Allergens

The summit will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Continuing Education and Conference Center (CECC), located on the St. Paul Campus at 1890 Buford Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55108. Google Map link:

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Continuing+Education+and+Conference+Center/@44.983782,-93.180521,17z/data=!4m6!1m3!3m2!1s0x0:0xece3ee9b9387b95a!2sContinuing+Education+and+Conference+Center!3m1!1s0x0:0xece3ee9b9387b95a>

Registration may be completed online at: <https://www.regonline.com/USDASummit>. A fee of \$25.00 per person is required to cover the cost of handouts, lunch, and miscellaneous expenses. The online registration site will accept payment by credit card or electronic check and will allow printing of a receipt.

On-site registration will be available from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. for those registering on the day of the summit. Payment by cash or check will be accepted on-site. The meeting room accommodations are limited to 65 participants; therefore, we urge you to register online no later than August 20, 2015. A confirmation letter, including local hotel accommodations and parking information will be sent out, once your registration information is received.

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Sincerely,

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