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SAMPLE COLLECTION AND INTEGRITY--COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

I. PURPOSE

This directive prescribes Compliance Program procedures for collecting samples of meat and poultry products for laboratory analysis, and maintaining the integrity of samples with FSIS Form 8040-1, "OFFICIAL SEAL."
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II. CANCELLATION

FSIS Directive 8150.1, dated 10/26/83 .

III. REASON FOR REISSUANCE

To update organizational names and to attach the revised official seal form.

IV. REFERENCES

Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA), Section 202, (21 U.S.C. 642); Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA), Section 11, (21 U.S.C. 460); 9 CFR 312.10; 9 CFR 320.4; 9 CFR 381.112; 9 CFR 381.146 .

V. AUTHORITY TO SAMPLE

The FMIA and the PPIA provide that duly authorized representatives of the Secretary may take reasonable samples of inventory from persons, firms, and corporations engaged in certain meat and poultry operations upon payment of the fair market value.

VI. SAMPLE IDENTITY/INTEGRITY

Samples obtained by the Compliance Program may serve as physical evidence in a court of law. Consequently, such samples must be handled with great care to maintain their identity and integrity.

VII. RESPONSIBILITY

Compliance officers are responsible for maintaining sample identity and integrity. Compliance Officers shall:

- A. Establish sample identity during sample collection.
- B. Document sample identity with shipper's and receiver's statements and invoices.
- C. Maintain sample identity from time of collection until receipt

at the laboratory through use of FSIS Form 8040-1, "OFFICIAL SEAL."
Upon sample collection:

1. Complete FSIS Form 8040-1 by inscribing it with the sample number, the date it is applied to the sample purchase, and the Compliance Officer's signature.

2. Apply the FSIS Form 8040-1 to the sample package so that it may not be opened at any point without evidence of tampering.

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Attachment 1

FSIS Form 8040-1, Official Seal (REFERENCE PAPER COPY OF THIS
DIRECTIVE)