Dear Ms. Gallimore:

The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) has received the petition you submitted on behalf of the North American Meat Institute dated May 9, 2022. The petition requests that FSIS delete the Moisture Protein Ration (MPR) reference from the “Jerky” entry in the FSIS Food Standards and Labeling Policy Book. According to the petition, the reference is an inappropriate indicator of shelf-stability and potentially a source of confusion for industry and consumers.

Your request is being considered as a petition for policy change under FSIS’ regulations on petitions (9 CFR part 392). Your petition has been referred to the Office of Policy and Program Development for review and has been assigned petition number 22-02. As provided in 9 CFR 392.6, your petition will be made available to the public in the FSIS docket room and will be posted on the FSIS Website at:

https://www.fsis.usda.gov/policy/petitions

You may contact Mary Porretta, Petitions Manager, Regulations Development Staff at mary.porretta@usda.gov if you have any questions regarding the status of your petition.

Sincerely,

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