

Peer Review Plan

Title of Review: U.S. Nutrient Pork Cuts, Release 2.0 **Influential Scientific Information**

Agency: Agricultural Research Service **Highly Influential Scientific Assessment**

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Subject of Review: U.S. Nutrient Pork Cuts, Release 2.0. This report provides updated and expanded data on average content of nutrients in retail pork cuts, for use in nutrition labeling of package fresh meat cuts. New analytical data were generated by the USDA in collaboration with the National Pork Board. The documentation was sent to the National Pork Board for comments prior to being sent for review. One external reviewer, the retired director of the FDA's Office of Plant and Dairy Foods and Beverages and Division of Nutrition, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, provided a formal review. The dataset was released in October, 2009 and is available at <http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/foodcomp>.

Purpose of Review: We anticipate that the external peer reviewers will possess an in-depth knowledge of research conducted. Reviewers will be expected to focus on areas such as:

1. The evidence provided and whether the conclusions and inferences are correctly supported by the evidence.
2. Evaluate the methodology. Is the approach and process appropriate for the analysis?
3. Are there data or other evidence complete? Have any important data or considerations been omitted?
4. Are all important assumptions identified and uncertainties clearly stated?
5. Identify any relevant data or evidence not contained in the report.
6. Evaluate the quality and completeness of the individual components of the analysis.
7. Comment on whether/where the document is difficult to read or understand.

Type of Review: Panel Review Individual Reviewers

Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 10/2009 End: 10/2009 Completed: 10/2009

Number of Reviewers: 3 or fewer 4 to 10 More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Human Nutrition and Food Safety

Reviewers selected by: Agency

Designated Outside
Organization

Organization's Name: _____

Opportunities for Public Comment?

Yes

No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How: _____

When: _____

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments?

Yes

No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel?

Yes

No

Other: _____

