

AOAC INTERNATIONAL

Core Seafood Stakeholders Meeting

April 5, 2007
10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
AOAC Headquarters
Gaithersburg, Maryland

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions (J. Bradford and A. Mishra) 10 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.

Guests will be welcomed to AOAC INTERNATIONAL. All attendees and staff will be asked to introduce themselves and attendees will be asked to explain briefly their organization's interest in participating in the meeting.
2. Background of AOAC INTERNATIONAL (A. Mishra) 10:25 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Mishra will describe AOAC's background and history, including AOAC's historical role as a problem solver. In support of global commerce and brand protection, AOAC builds consensus, and develops and validates methods that are fit-for-purpose for both the government and industry. AOAC is recognized as a provider of "science-based solutions." Mishra will also present the goals for today's decision-making meeting and what we would like to accomplish by the end of the day.
3. AOAC Community on Contaminants and Residues in Foods (J. Cook and S. Capar) 10:50 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.

Cook/Capar will present the AOAC community model, AOAC's processes, and why this community was formed.
4. Discussion of "Compilation of Analytical Methods and Quality System Issues Relating to the Aquaculture of Seafood." (J. Bradford and A. Mishra) 11:10 – 12:30 p.m.

Bradford/Mishra will summarize what AOAC has learned about the needs of the government and industry relating to seafood. The group will be asked to rank area(s) with the highest economic or regulatory impact. The goal is to reach consensus on: (1) the top 2 – 3 priority areas (ie antibiotic residues, species identification, etc.); and (2) instrumentation (rapid screening, quantitative, DNA sequencing, etc) where AOAC and the stakeholders need to focus their efforts.
- LUNCH ----- 12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
5. Continuation of Agenda Item 4 (J. Bradford and A. Mishra) 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Bradford /Mishra will verify that a consensus has been reached on the top 2-3 priority areas and will entertain any remaining comments.
6. Next Steps, Financial Considerations, and Timeline (J. Bradford and A. Mishra) 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Bradford/Mishra will discuss costs for the top 2 – 3 priority areas. We will discuss a proposed timeline which includes a bigger stakeholders meeting, call for methods, and expert review panel meetings.