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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Ohio Department of Agriculture will hold a public hearing for the purpose of accepting testimony on the proposed amendments made to Chapter 901:3-1 of the Ohio Administrative Code and other various rules.

Ohio Revised Code 3715.021 states that the Ohio Department of Agriculture shall adopt rules that establish standards and good manufacturing practices for food processing establishments which conform to the standards established by the United States Food and Drug Administration in Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

The rules contained in Chapter 901:3-1 of the Ohio Administrative Code mirror the regulations found in 21 CFR 110. Effective September 17, 2018, these provisions will be rescinded from the CFR. The regulations will be replaced by 21 CFR 117. These standards were adopted in the OAC in October of 2017. Upon the rescission of 21 CFR 110, the rules found in 901:3-1 shall no longer be necessary. Therefore, the rules in OAC Chapter 901:3-1 are proposed to be rescinded.

Further, all code references to 901:3-1 have been amended to read 901:3-17. Please note that the amendments exclude OAC 901:3-1-01, OAC 901:3-8-01, and OAC 901:3-8-03. These rules are going through a separate review and will be amended respectively.

The hearing will be held on: **September 12, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.**

Ohio Department of Agriculture Bromfield Administration Building Hearing Room 129 (Seminar "A") 8995 East Main Street Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068-3399

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with Chapter 119 of the Revised Code. Any person affected by the no change rule package may appear and be heard in person, by his attorney, or both, may present his position, arguments, or contentions, orally or in writing, offer and examine witnesses, and present evidence tending to show that the no change rule package, if adopted or effectuated, will be unreasonable or unlawful.

More information on the rule package, including a business impact analysis and copies of the rules, can be found at www.agri.ohio.gov or by visiting the Register of Ohio at www.registerofohio.state.oh.us.

Any person who wishes to present his position, arguments, or contentions in writing, other than at the public hearing, may do so by either mailing his or her written comments to the Ohio Department of Agriculture, c/o Legal Section, 8995 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068; by email at



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ecomments@agri.ohio.gov, or by transmitting by facsimile at (614) 995-4585. Written comments sent by mail shall be postmarked no later than the day of the hearing. Written comments transmitted by facsimile shall be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

