

Microbiological Data Program

Public Meeting Agenda

Washington, D.C.
January 10, 2002

- 8:45 a.m. **Opening Remarks and Introduction of Special Guests**
Robert Epstein, Deputy Administrator, Science & Technology,
AMS/USDA
- 9:00 a.m. **Welcoming Remarks**
A.J. Yates, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA
- 9:10 a.m. **Overview of USDA Microbiological Data Program**
Robert Epstein, Deputy Administrator, Science & Technology,
AMS/USDA
- 9:40 a.m. **FDA's Imported and Domestic Survey: Need for Data of Microbial Contamination --** Nega Beru, Director, Division of Plant Product Safety,
Food and Drug Administration
- 9:50 a.m. **Sprouts, Salads and Ciders**
Colleen Crowe, Surveillance epidemiologist, Centers for Disease Control
and Prevention
- 10:10 a.m. **Comments -** Donna Garren, Vice-President, United Fresh Fruit and
Vegetable Association
- 10:20 a.m. Break
- 10:40 a.m. **MDP - A Perspective from the State of Florida**
Joanne Brown, Director, Microbiology Laboratory, Florida Department of
Agriculture and Consumer Services
- 10:50 a.m. **Comments -** Edith Garrett, President, International Fresh-Cut Produce
Association
- 11:00 a.m. **MDP - A Perspective from the State of Ohio (via phone)**
Phil Engler, Director, Consumer Analytical Laboratory, Ohio Department of
Agriculture
- 11:10 a.m. **Comments -** Nancy Nagle, Food Safety Advisor, California Strawberry
Commission
- 11:15 a.m. **Public Comments**
- 1:00 p.m. **Adjourn**