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International HACCP Alliance Board Meeting Scheduled

The next board meeting for the International HACCP Alliance will be Friday, July 9, 1999, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Redick Plaza Hotel in Omaha, Nebraska. Participants will have an opportunity to tour the FSIS Technical Services Center and meet with FSIS personnel. For hotel room reservations, contact the Redick Plaza Hotel at telephone: 402-342-1500; fax: 402-342-2401. Individuals are responsible for their own room reservations. Indicate that you are with the International HACCP Alliance to receive the group rate of \$74.00. The board meeting is open to all International HACCP Alliance members. An agenda will be available prior to the board meeting. For more information about the board meeting, contact Robin See in the HACCP Alliance office at 409-862-3643.

HACCP Train-the-Trainer Courses Scheduled, Conducted

A Japanese HACCP Train-the-Trainer Course is scheduled for July 13-15, 1999 at the National Food Processors Association (NFPA) headquarters in Washington, DC. Approximately 30 people are scheduled to participate in the course. The course is co-sponsored by the International HACCP Alliance and the Food Processors Institute (FPI).

Tyson Foods, Inc. hosted a HACCP Train-the-Trainer Course for 34 people, March 2-4, 1999, at Tyson's headquarters in Springdale, Arkansas. The customized HACCP Train-the-Trainer course for Tyson was coordinated by the International HACCP Alliance and taught by instructors from FPI in Washington, DC.

On March 23-25, 35 people from the United States, Italy, Guatemala, Puerto Rico, Austria, Canada, and Mexico participated in a HACCP Train-the-Trainer Course at the NFPA headquarters in Washington, DC. The course was taught by FPI instructors and co-sponsored by the International HACCP Alliance and FPI. For more information about upcoming open or customized HACCP Train-the-Trainer courses, contact Dr. Kerri B. Harris, executive director, at 409-862-3643.

HACCP Alliance Booth Travels to Monterey, California and Stillwater, Oklahoma

The International HACCP Alliance booth was displayed during the National Meat Association's Convention and Suppliers' Exposition, February 18-20 in Monterey, California. During the Suppliers' Exposition, the Alliance booth generated interest from people unfamiliar with Alliance activities, as well people who work with the Alliance in various capacities.

The next stop for the HACCP Alliance booth will be the Reciprocal Meat

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Conference (RMC), June 20-23 in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

The HACCP Alliance booth is always available for display at events hosted by HACCP Alliance members. The booth can be manned by HACCP Alliance staff or shipped to a location as a stand-alone display. For more information about the HACCP Alliance booth, contact Dr. Kerri B. Harris, at 409-862-3643.

Changes Underway at the HACCP Alliance Office

Ever since the resignation of H. Russell Cross as director of the Institute of Food Science and Engineering at Texas A&M University in October 1997, a search has been underway to select his replacement. Effective July 1, 1999, Dr. Mark McLellan of Cornell University in Geneva, New York, has accepted the position of director of the Institute of Food Science and Engineering. Dr. McLellan is a recognized specialist in fruit and vegetable processing and the application of computer technology in the food industry. As a member of the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT), he serves on the IFT Executive Committee and is one of IFT's Food Science Communicators.

Although the hiring of Mark McLellan as the new director of the Institute of Food Science and Engineering does not directly affect the International HACCP Alliance, the Alliance's administrative and physical office space within the Institute continues to be a positive relationship.