

**Ingredient Questionnaire for Hormel Foods Corporation /  
Creative Contract Packaging Corporation / Century Foods  
International / Dan's Prize / Skippy / Justin's**  
**- (Complete within 10-days)**

**Supplier Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ingredient Hormel SI #:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Note that like items may be included on this sheet (or on an attachment)  
provided that ALL information (questions 1-10) is applicable to each item).

**Supplier Ingredient Description & Ingredient #:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Package & Size/Weight:** \_\_\_\_\_

List plant names, addresses and phone numbers of ALL manufacturing facilities  
which will or could produce the above ingredient(s):

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Was/Were the above ingredient(s) subjected to a Lethality step and/or  
Intervention for Pathogens (i.e. *Salmonella*, *Lm*, *E. coli* O157:H7, etc.)?**  
YES / NO.

**If YES,**

- a. List the type(s) of Lethality/Intervention (i.e. Oven, Roaster,  
Irradiation, Ethylene Oxide (EtO), Propylene Oxide (PPO), Steam,  
etc.).  
\_\_\_\_\_
- b. Was the lethality step applied by your supplier, at your location or  
another location? \_\_\_\_\_
- c. List the log-reduction the Lethality provides for *Salmonella* \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Provide a copy of the validation study to Hormel Foods  
Corporation.
- e. Is the treatment conducted Pre or Post Packaging? \_\_\_\_\_

- f. If there is more than one treatment/lethality conducted, list all information (i.e. one by your supplier and then another at your location or off-site).

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**If there is no lethality or treatment conducted, why not?**

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2. If the total log-reduction is less than a 5-Log reduction for *Salmonella*, state rationale as to why this is sufficient.

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3. Does the manufacturing plant conduct environmental sampling for *Salmonella* and/or *Listeria monocytogenes*? YES / NO

- a. How many samples are collected per manufacturing line per week?  
*Salmonella*: Contact-Surfaces: \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Contact Surfaces: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Lm*: Contact-Surfaces: \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Contact Surfaces: \_\_\_\_\_

IF testing Product-Contact Surfaces for *Salmonella* or *Lm*, are you holding the corresponding product pending the results?  
YES / NO

- b. Are you aware of and following the “Primary *Salmonella* Control Area” approach outlined by GMA (Grocery Manufacturers Association)? YES / NO
- c. List summary of *Salmonella* and *Lm* environmental sampling locations (product-contact areas, non-product-contact areas, drains, floor tailings, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- d. List the *Salmonella* and *Lm* sample collection method (Q-Tip Swab, Sponge, etc.)
- \_\_\_\_\_
- e. List a summary of the % Positives from your *Salmonella* and *Lm* environmental testing over the last 2 years:

- i. Product-Contact Surfaces: *Salmonella*:\_\_\_\_\_ *Lm*:\_\_\_\_\_
- ii. Non Product-Contact Surfaces: *Salmonella*:\_\_\_\_\_ *Lm*:\_\_\_\_\_

4. Do you conduct any Total Plate Count (TPC/SPC) environmental monitoring in the plant? YES / NO. If YES, please explain: (i.e. Number of samples per week, Contact / Non-Contact Locations, etc.)

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5. Do you conduct any OTHER environmental monitoring in the plant? YES / NO. If YES, please explain: (i.e. Organism(s) Sampled, Number of samples per week, Contact and/or Non-Contact Locations, etc.)

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6. List the Finished Product Pathogen testing procedures/frequency for the above ingredient (i.e. Each lot of product is sampled for *Salmonella* and *Listeria monocytogenes* by pulling 30 x 25-gram samples which are composited into 2 x 375-gram samples).

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Provide a summary of the Finished Product Pathogen testing results (i.e. Over 500 finished product samples taken for *Salmonella*, with one positive result.)

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7. Has a government agency conducted any pathogen testing or environmental monitoring at your facility? YES / NO. If YES, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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Provide a summary of the government testing results:

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8. Has your facility undergone one or more Product Recall in the past two years? YES / NO. If Yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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9. How do you define a production lot window in the event of a “product-positive pathogen result” recall event? State rationale for this window.

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10. Regarding Lot Identification on Ingredients, do you conform to the following requirements:

a. Do you list a “Manufacturing Date” on the ingredient packaging? YES / NO. If Yes, give example and explain how to read it (if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

b. Do you list a “Lot Number” on the ingredient packaging? YES/NO. If Yes, give example and explain how to read it (if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

11. Name of Person Completing this Questionnaire: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Send completed information to:**

(Also contact if you have any questions)

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