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Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Rod Nilsestuen, Secretary

DATE:

August 18, 2009

TO:

State Legislators

FROM:

Rodney J. Nilsestuen Rand Rundi for

Secretary

SUBJECT:

Emergency Rule -QUARANTINES OF BROWN COUNTY AND

KENOSHA COUNTY FOR EMERALD ASH BORER

Pursuant to s. 227.24(3), Stats., the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is forwarding a copy of an emergency rule relating to quarantines of Brown County and Kenosha County for emerald ash borer. The emergency rule is needed to mitigate the spread of emerald ash borer out of Brown County and Kenosha County.

Background

The United States Department of Agriculture-Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS) positively identified emerald ash borer in Brown County on July 24, 2009 and in Kenosha County on August 12, 2009. This emergency rule creates DATCP quarantines for Brown County and Kenosha County. Federal quarantines will be enacted approximately two to six weeks after a formal submission by the state plant regulatory official. Emerald ash borer is carried by untreated ash wood products. A two to six week delay until enactment of the federal quarantine leaves too much time for businesses or individuals to move potentially emerald ash borer infested material out of the county to areas of Wisconsin or other states that are not infested with emerald ash borer.

Emerald ash borer is an injurious exotic pest that now endangers Wisconsin's 750 million ash trees and ash tree resources. This insect has the potential to destroy entire stands of ash, and any incursion of emerald ash borer can result in substantial losses to forest ecosystems and urban trees, as well as the state's thriving tourism and timber industries. Efforts are currently underway in other states to eradicate emerald ash borer. Those efforts have proven to be costly, timeconsuming, and not completely effective. In Michigan, emerald ash borer has caused an estimated \$11.6 million in landscape industry and wood lot losses and approximately \$2 million in lost nursery stock sales annually. The United States Department of Agriculture predicts the national urban impact from this pest could exceed \$370 billion.

DATCP has plant inspection and pest control authority under s. 94.01, Stats., to adopt rules establishing quarantines or other restrictions on the importation into or movement of plants or other materials within this state, if these measures are necessary to prevent or control the spread of injurious plant pests. A quarantine order may prohibit the movement of any pest, or any plant, pest host or pest-harboring material, which may transmit or harbor a pest.

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Contents of this Emergency Rule

The proposed rule will do the following:

- Create quarantines of emerald ash borer for Brown County and Kenosha County that prohibit the movement of all hardwood species of firewood, nursery stock, green lumber, and other material living, dead, cut or fallen, including logs, stumps, roots, branches and composted and uncomposted chips of the genus *Fraxinus* (Ash wood), out of the county.
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- Provide an exemption for businesses that enter into a state or federal compliance agreement. The compliance agreement spells out what a company can and cannot do with regulated articles.

Hearing on Emergency Rule

The rule will take effect immediately, upon publication in the official state newspaper. DATCP will schedule a hearing on the emergency rule within 45 days of the date of publication.

Questions or comments related to this emergency rule may be directed to:

Brian Kuhn or Bob Dahl Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection P.O. Box 8911 Madison, WI 53708-8911 Telephone (608) 224-4590 or (608) 224-4573

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WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

EMERGENCY RULE

The state of Wisconsin department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection hereby adopts the following emergency rule *to amend* s. ATCP 21.17 (1) (b) and *to create* s. ATCP 21.17 (1) (c), *relating to* the quarantines of Brown County and Kenosha County for emerald ash borer.

Analysis Prepared by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

This emergency rule creates quarantines for Brown County and Kenosha County for the emerald ash borer. Under this rule, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ("DATCP") quarantines Brown County and Kenosha County to mitigate the movement of emerald ash borer to other areas of Wisconsin and other states.

DATCP is adopting this temporary emergency rule pending the adoption of federal quarantines for Brown County and Kenosha County. This emergency rule will take effect immediately upon publication in the official state newspaper, and will remain in effect for 150 days. The Legislature's Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules may extend the emergency rule for up to 120 additional days.

Statutes Interpreted

Statutes Interpreted: ss. 93.07(12) and 94.01, Stats.

Statutory Authority

Statutory Authority: ss. 93.07(1), 93.07(12), 94.01 and 227.24, Stats.

Explanation of Statutory Authority

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ("DATCP") has broad general authority, under s. 93.07 (1), Stats., to adopt regulations to enforce laws under its jurisdiction. DATCP also has broad general authority, under ss. 93.07 (12) and 94.01, Stats., to adopt regulations to prevent and control plant pest infestations. Emerald ash borer quarantines created by this rule are part of an overall state strategy to prevent and control plant pest infestations, including emerald ash borer infestations. DATCP is adopting this temporary

emergency rule, under authority of s. 227.24, Stats., pending the adoption of federal regulations on the same subject.

Background

The United States Department of Agriculture-Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS) positively identified emerald ash borer in Brown County on July 24, 2009, and in Kenosha County on August 12, 2009. This emergency rule creates DATCP quarantines for Brown County and Kenosha County. A federal quarantine will be enacted approximately two to six weeks after a formal submission by the state plant regulatory official. Emerald ash borer is carried by untreated ash wood products. A two to six week delay until enactment of the federal quarantine leaves too much time for businesses or individuals to move potentially emerald ash borer infested material out of the county to areas of Wisconsin or other states that are not infested with emerald ash borer.

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Emergency Rule Content

Under this emergency rule, movement of all hardwood (non-coniferous) firewood of any type plus movement of any ash wood out of Brown County and Kenosha County is prohibited with certain exceptions. The emergency rule will do the following:

- Create quarantines of emerald ash borer for Brown County and Kenosha County that prohibit the movement of all hardwood species of firewood, nursery stock, green lumber, and other material living, dead, cut or fallen, including logs, stumps, roots, branches and composted and uncomposted chips of the genus *Fraxinus* (Ash wood), out of the county.
- Provide an exemption for items that have been inspected and certified by a pest control official and are accompanied by a written certificate issued by the pest control official (some products, such as nursery stock, cannot be given an exemption).

Provide an exemption for businesses that enter into a state or federal compliance agreement.
 The compliance agreement spells out what a company can and cannot do with regulated articles.

Fiscal Impact

DATCP will have additional workload related to enforcing the quarantines but it will be able to absorb the projected workload and costs within DATCP's current budget and with current staff. The presence of emerald ash borer may produce additional workload for local governments in Brown County and Kenosha County, but the quarantines will not themselves produce any local fiscal impact.

Business Impact

This emergency rule may have an impact on persons or companies that deal in any hardwood firewood or ash materials in Brown County or Kenosha County. The affected businesses are all small businesses. This emergency rule restricts the sale or distribution of ash products plus any hardwood firewood from Brown County and Kenosha County to locations outside of Brown County and Kenosha County.

The business impact of this emergency rule depends on the number of nurseries that sell/distribute ash nursery stock outside the county, firewood producers/dealers that sell/distribute outside the county, saw mills that move untreated ash stock outside the county, and green wood waste that is moved outside the county.

Brown County has 21 and Kenosha County has 17 licensed nursery growers that could possibly be growing ash nursery stock. Those growers will not be able to sell ash nursery stock outside of the county during the quarantine. Thirteen known firewood dealers have been identified in Brown County and 18 known firewood dealers have been identified in Kenosha County. They would need to be certified under s. ATCP 21.20 to sell firewood outside of the county. To obtain certification a firewood dealer will have to pay an annual certification fee to DATCP of \$50 and treat the firewood in a manner that insures it is free of emerald ash borer. There is one veneer mill in Brown County and up to three wood processing mills in Kenosha County that deal with ash. To sell ash wood products outside of their counties they will have to enter into a compliance agreement with DATCP or APHIS that authorizes movement of ash products outside of their counties only when there is assurance that the movement will not spread the emerald ash borer to other locations.

Environmental Impact

This emergency rule will not have a significant impact on the environment.

Federal and Surrounding State Programs

Federal Programs

Under the federal Plant Protection Act, APHIS has responsibility for excluding, eradicating and controlling serious plant pests, including emerald ash borer. APHIS has instituted statewide quarantines on the movement of all ash wood for Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, in addition to the Lower Peninsula of Michigan. APHIS has also instituted quarantines for Ozaukee, Washington, Sheboygan, Fond du Lac, Vernon and Crawford Counties in Wisconsin. The quarantines include restrictions on the movement of any hardwood (non-coniferous) firewood.

Surrounding State Programs

Surrounding states where emerald ash borer has been identified (Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Minnesota and Michigan) have state and federal quarantines that prohibit the movement of regulated articles out of quarantined areas. A regulated article can only move out of quarantined areas after it is certified by USDA or state officials.

DATCP Contact

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FINDING OF EMERGENCY

(1) On July 24, 2009, APHIS identified emerald ash borer in Brown County. On August 12, 2009, APHIS identified emerald ash borer in Kenosha County. Emerald ash borer is an exotic pest that poses a dire risk to the ash forest. When APHIS declares quarantine, DATCP has regulatory authority for import controls and quarantine for emerald ash borer under ATCP 21.17. It is anticipated that APHIS will declare quarantines for Brown County and Kenosha County but that it will take up to six weeks for APHIS to act. A six week delay until enactment of the federal quarantines leaves too much time for businesses or individuals to move potentially emerald ash borer infested material out of the county to areas of Wisconsin or other states that are not infested with emerald ash borer.

(2) DATCP is adopting this rule as a temporary emergency rule, pending completion of federal quarantine regulations. DATCP does not anticipate completing a permanent rule.

EMERGENCY RULE

SECTION 1. ATCP 21.17 (1) (b) is amended to read:

ATCP 21.17 (1) (b) Move any regulated item under sub. (2) Out of an emerald ash borer regulated area that is identified in 7 CFR 301.53-3 and located in this state or out of an emerald ash borer regulated area identified in (c).

SECTION 2. ATCP 21.17 (1) (c) is created to read:

ATCP 21.17 (1) (c) Brown County and Kenosha County are designated emerald ash borer regulated areas.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE: This emergency rule takes effect upon publication, and remains in effect for 150 days. The department may seek to extend this emergency rule as provided in s. 227.24, Stats.

Dated this 18 day of August, 2009.

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

By Rand Romanni For Rodney J. Nilsestuen, Secretary

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Business Impact Analysis¹

Rule Subject:

Plant Pest Import Controls and Quarantines

Adm. Code Reference:

ATCP 21

Rules Clearinghouse #:

Not yet assigned

DATCP Docket #:

Rule Description

This emergency rule creates quarantines for Brown County and Kenosha County for emerald ash borer. Under this rule, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ("DATCP") quarantines Brown County and Kenosha County to mitigate the movement of emerald ash borer to other areas of Wisconsin and other states.

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Key Rule Provisions

This rule includes the following key provisions:

Creates quarantines of emerald ash borer for Brown County and Kenosha County that
prohibit the movement of all hardwood species of firewood, nursery stock, green
lumber, and other material living, dead, cut or fallen, including logs, stumps, roots,
branches and composted and uncomposted chips of the genus Fraxinus (Ash wood),
out of the county.

¹ This analysis includes, but is not limited to, a small business analysis ("regulatory flexibility analysis") under s. 227.114, Stats...

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Business Impact

This emergency rule may have an impact on persons or companies that deal in any hardwood firewood or ash materials in Brown County or Kenosha County. The affected businesses are all small businesses. This emergency rule restricts the sale or distribution of ash products plus any hardwood firewood from Brown County and Kenosha County to locations outside of Brown County and Kenosha County.

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Accommodation for Small Business

DATCP recognizes that every small business is different. DATCP will work with individual businesses to meet the requirements of the quarantine while accommodating the unique character of the individual business. Therefore, each compliance agreement will be designed to satisfy the regulations with minimal negative effects to the business.

Conclusion

This rule will help affected businesses in Brown County and Kenosha County to move ash wood and material without moving emerald ash borer from their counties to areas free from

emerald ash borer. This will in turn help to protect the resources on which they depend. This rule may impose some additional costs on some businesses, including small businesses, depending on the nature of their ash wood business. The department works closely with each affected business to minimize any costs and these costs are outweighed by the protection of Wisconsin's ash resource.

Dated this

day of

, 2009

STATE OF WISCONSIN

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,

TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Kathy F. Pielkticker, Administrator

Division of Agricultural Resource Management

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This rule will be administered by DATCP. DATCP will have additional workload related to enforcing the quarantine but it will be able to absorb the projected workload and costs within DATCP's current budget and with current staff. The presence of the emerald ash borer may produce additional workload for local governments in Brown County and Kenosha County, but the quarantines will not themselves produce any local fiscal impact.

Long - Range Fiscal Implications

If multiple infestations are found in this state, DATCP may experience substantial costs and personnel demands for providing regulatory oversight and working with affected industries. Costs may vary, depending on the nature and scope of the infestations, and cannot be accurately predicted at this time.

Agency/prepared by: (Name & Phone No.)

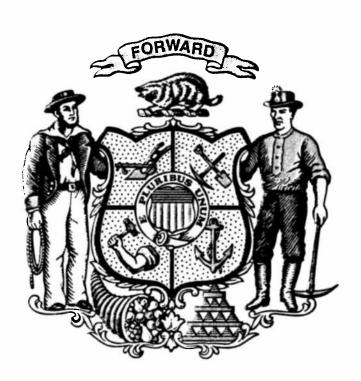
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Authorized Signature/Telephone No.

Date

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State of Wisconsin
Jim Doyle, Governor

Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection Rod Nilsestuen. Secretary

DATE:

September 14, 2009

TO:

State Legislators.

FROM: Rodney J. Nilsestuen

Secretary

SUBJECT:

Emergency Rule - QUARANTINES OF MILWAUKEE COUNTY, RACINE COUNTY AND WAUKESHA COUNTY FOR EMERALD ASH BORER (Corrected)

Pursuant to s. 227.24(3), Stats., the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is forwarding a copy of an emergency rule relating to quarantines of Milwaukee County, Racine County, and Waukesha County for emerald ash borer. The emergency rule is needed to mitigate the spread of emerald ash borer out of Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County.

Background

The United States Department of Agriculture-Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS) positively identified emerald ash borer in Milwaukee County, near the borders of Racine County and Waukesha County, on August 28, 2009. This emergency rule creates DATCP quarantines for Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County. Federal quarantines will be enacted approximately two to six weeks after a formal submission by the state plant regulatory official. Emerald ash borer is carried by untreated ash wood products. A two to six week delay until enactment of the federal quarantine leaves too much time for businesses or individuals to move potentially emerald ash borer infested material out of the county to areas of Wisconsin or other states that are not infested with emerald ash borer.

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Hearing on Emergency Rule

The rule will take effect immediately, upon publication in the official state newspaper on September 14, 2009. DATCP has scheduled a hearing on the emergency rule for October 15, 2009.

Ouestions or comments related to this emergency rule may be directed to:

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WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

EMERGENCY RULE

The state of Wisconsin department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection hereby adopts the following emergency rule to amend s. ATCP 21.17 (1) (b) and to create s. ATCP 21.17 (1) (c), relating to the quarantines of Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County for emerald ash borer.

Analysis Prepared by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

This emergency rule creates quarantines for Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County for the emerald ash borer. Under this rule, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ("DATCP") quarantines Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County to mitigate the movement of emerald ash borer to other areas of Wisconsin and other states.

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Explanation of Statutory Authority

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ("DATCP") has broad general authority, under s. 93.07 (1), Stats., to adopt regulations to enforce laws under its jurisdiction. DATCP also has broad general authority, under ss. 93.07 (12) and 94.01, Stats., to

adopt regulations to prevent and control plant pest infestations. Emerald ash borer quarantines created by this rule are part of an overall state strategy to prevent and control plant pest infestations, including emerald ash borer infestations. DATCP is adopting this temporary emergency rule, under authority of s. 227.24, Stats., pending the adoption of federal regulations on the same subject.

Background

The United States Department of Agriculture-Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS) positively identified emerald ash borer in Milwaukee County, near the borders of Racine County and Waukesha County on August 28, 2000. This emergency rule creates DATCP quarantines for Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County. A federal quarantine will be enacted approximately two to six weeks after a formal submission by the state plant regulatory official. Emerald ash borer is carried by untreated ash wood products. A two to six week delay until enactment of the federal quarantine leaves too much time for businesses or individuals to move potentially emerald ash borer infested material out of the county to areas of Wisconsin or other states that are not infested with emerald ash borer.

Emerald ash borer is an injurious exotic pest that now endangers Wisconsin's 750 million ash trees and ash tree resources. This insect has the potential to destroy entire stands of ash, and any incursion of emerald ash borer can result in substantial losses to forest ecosystems and urban trees, as well as the state's thriving tourism and timber industries. Efforts are currently underway in other states to eradicate emerald ash borer. Those efforts have proven to be costly, time-consuming, and not completely effective. In Michigan, emerald ash borer has caused an estimated \$11.6 million in landscape industry and wood lot losses and approximately \$2 million in lost nursery stock sales annually. The United States Department of Agriculture predicts the national urban impact from this pest could exceed \$370 billion.

DATCP has plant inspection and pest control authority under s. 94.01, Stats., to adopt rules establishing quarantines or other restrictions on the importation into or movement of plants or other materials within this state, if these measures are necessary to prevent or control the spread of injurious plant pests. A quarantine order may prohibit the movement of any pest, or any plant, pest host or pest-harboring material, which may transmit or harbor a pest.

Emergency Rule Content

Under this emergency rule, movement of all hardwood (non-coniferous) firewood of any type plus movement of any ash wood out of Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County is prohibited with certain exceptions. The emergency rule will do the following:

 Create quarantines of emerald ash borer for Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County that prohibit the movement of all hardwood species of firewood, nursery stock, green lumber, and other material living, dead, cut or fallen, including logs, stumps, roots, branches and composted and uncomposted chips of the genus Fraxinus (Ash wood), out of the county.

- Provide an exemption for items that have been inspected and certified by a pest control official and are accompanied by a written certificate issued by the pest control official (some products, such as nursery stock, cannot be given an exemption).
- Provide an exemption for businesses that enter into a state or federal compliance agreement. The compliance agreement spells out what a company can and cannot do with regulated articles.

Fiscal Impact

DATCP will have additional workload related to enforcing the quarantines but it will be able to absorb the projected workload and costs within DATCP's current budget and with current staff. The presence of emerald ash borer may produce additional workload for local governments in Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County, but the quarantines will not themselves produce any local fiscal impact.

Business Impact

This emergency rule may have an impact on persons or companies that deal in any hardwood firewood or ash materials in Milwaukee County, Racine County or Kenosha County. The affected businesses are all small businesses. This emergency rule restricts the sale or distribution of ash products plus any hardwood firewood from Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County to locations outside of Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County.

The business impact of this emergency rule depends on the number of nurseries that sell/distribute ash nursery stock outside the county, firewood producers/dealers that sell/distribute outside the county, saw mills that move untreated ash stock outside the county, and green wood waste that is moved outside the county.

Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County have a combined total of 84 licensed nursery growers that could possibly be growing ash nursery stock. Those growers will not be able to sell ash nursery stock outside of the county during the quarantine. There are also a total of 50 known firewood dealers in Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County. Additional firewood dealers are being identified weekly. Firewood dealers would need to be certified under s. ATCP 21.20 to sell firewood outside of the county. To obtain certification a firewood dealer will have to pay an annual certification fee to DATCP of \$50 and treat the firewood in a manner that insures it is free of emerald ash borer. There are 3 mills (non-veneer) in Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County and an unknown number of wood processing facilities that deal with ash. To sell ash wood products outside of their counties they will have to enter into a compliance agreement with DATCP or APHIS that authorizes movement of ash products outside of their county only when there is assurance that the movement will not spread emerald ash borer to other locations.

Environmental Impact

This emergency rule will not have a significant impact on the environment.

Federal and Surrounding State Programs

Federal Programs

Under the federal Plant Protection Act, APHIS has responsibility for excluding, eradicating and controlling serious plant pests, including emerald ash borer. APHIS has instituted statewide quarantines on the movement of all ash wood for Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, in addition to the Lower Peninsula of Michigan. APHIS has also instituted quarantines for Ozaukee, Washington, Sheboygan, Fond du Lac, Vernon and Crawford Counties in Wisconsin. The quarantines include restrictions on the movement of any hardwood (non-coniferous) firewood.

Surrounding State Programs

Surrounding states where emerald ash borer has been identified (Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Minnesota and Michigan) have state and federal quarantines that prohibit the movement of regulated articles out of quarantined areas. A regulated article can only move out of quarantined areas after it is certified by USDA or state officials.

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FINDING OF EMERGENCY

(1) On August 28, 2009, APHIS identified emerald ash borer in Milwaukee County, near the borders of Racine County and Waukesha County. Emerald ash borer is an exotic pest that poses a dire risk to the ash forest. When APHIS declares quarantine, DATCP has regulatory authority for import controls and quarantine for emerald ash borer under ATCP 21.17. It is anticipated that APHIS will declare quarantines for Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County but that it will take up to six weeks for APHIS to act. A six week delay until enactment

of the federal quarantines leaves too much time for businesses or individuals to move potentially emerald ash borer infested material out of the county to areas of Wisconsin or other states that are not infested with emerald ash borer.

(2) DATCP is adopting this rule as a temporary emergency rule, pending completion of federal quarantine regulations. DATCP does not anticipate completing a permanent rule.

EMERGENCY RULE

SECTION 1. ATCP 21.17 (1) (b) is amended to read:

ATCP 21.17 (1) (b) Move any regulated item under sub. (2) Out of an emerald ash borer regulated area that is identified in 7 CFR 301.53-3 and located in this state or out of an emerald ash borer regulated area identified in (c).

SECTION 2. ATCP 21.17 (1) (c) is created to read:

ATCP 21.17 (1) (c) Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County are designated emerald ash borer regulated areas.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE: This emergency rule takes effect upon publication, and remains in effect for 150 days. The department may seek to extend this emergency rule as provided in s. 227.24, Stats.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2009.

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Rodney J. Nilsestyen, Secretary

FISCAL ESTIMATE DOA-2048 (R 10/94)	LRB or Bill No. / Adm. Rule No. ATCP 21 Amendment No. (If Applicable)	
Subject:		
Emergency Rule for Quarantines of Milwaukee County, Racine Emerald Ash Borer	County and Waukesha County for	
Fiscal Effect		
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Check below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation. Increase Existing Appropriation Increase Existing Revenues Decrease Existing Appropriation Decrease Existing Revenues Create New Appropriation	May be possible to absorb within agency's budget? Yes No	
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The United States Department of Agriculture-Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS) positively identified emerald ash borer in Milwaukee County on August 28, 2009. The location of the infested trees is within close proximity to both Racine County and Waukesha County. This emergency rule creates DATCP quarantines for Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County. A federal quarantine will be enacted approximately two to six weeks after a formal submission by the state plant regulatory official. Emerald ash borer is carried by untreated ash wood products. A two to six week delay until enactment of the federal quarantines leaves too much time for businesses or individuals to move potentially emerald ash borer infested material out of the counties to areas of Wisconsin or other states that are not infested with emerald ash borer.

Emerald ash borer is an injurious exotic pest that now endangers Wisconsin's 750 million ash trees and ash tree resources. This insect has the potential to destroy entire stands of ash, and any incursion of emerald ash borer can result in substantial losses to forest ecosystems and urban trees, as well as the state's thriving tourism and timber industries. Efforts are currently underway in other states to eradicate emerald ash borer. Those efforts have proven to be costly, time-consuming, and not completely effective. In Michigan, emerald ash borer has caused an estimated \$11.6 million in landscape industry and wood lot losses and approximately \$2 million in lost nursery stock sales annually. The United States Department of Agriculture predicts the national urban impact from this pest could exceed \$370 billion.

DATCP has plant inspection and pest control authority under s. 94.01, Stats., to adopt rules establishing quarantines or other restrictions on the importation into or movement of plants or other materials within this state, if these measures are necessary to prevent or control the spread of injurious plant pests. A quarantine order may prohibit the movement of any pest, or any plant, pest host or pest-harboring material, which may transmit or harbor a pest. The proposed rule will do the following:

- Create quarantines of emerald ash borer for Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County
 that prohibit the movement of all hardwood species of firewood, nursery stock, green lumber, and
 other material living, dead, cut or fallen, including logs, stumps, roots, branches and composted and
 uncomposted chips of the genus Fraxinus (Ash wood), out of the county.
- Provide an exemption for items that have been inspected and certified by a pest control official and are accompanied by a written certificate issued by the pest control official.
- Provide an exemption for businesses that enter into a state or federal compliance agreement. The compliance agreement spells out what a company can and cannot do with regulated articles.

This rule will be administered by DATCP. DATCP will have additional workload related to enforcing the quarantine but it will be able to absorb the projected workload and costs within DATCP's current budget and with current staff. The presence of the emerald ash borer may produce additional workload for local governments in Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County, but the quarantines will not themselves produce any local fiscal impact.

Long - Range Fiscal Implications

If multiple infestations are found in this state, DATCP may experience substantial costs and personnel demands for providing regulatory oversight and working with affected industries. Costs may vary, depending on the nature and scope of the infestations, and cannot be accurately predicted at this time.

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Authorized Signature/Telephone No.

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9/08/2009

SCAL ESTIMATE WORKSHEET etailed Estimate of ORIGINAL UPDATED nnual Fiscal Effect CORRECTED OA-2047 (R10/94) SUPPLEMENTAL		LRB or Bill No/Ao Rule No. ATCP 21	Im. Amendment No.
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FISCAL ESTIMATE WORKSHEET

2009 SESSION

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Business Impact Analysis¹

Rule Subject:

Plant Pest Import Controls and Quarantines

Adm. Code Reference: Rules Clearinghouse #: ATCP 21

DATCP Docket #:

Not yet assigned

Rule Description

This emergency rule creates quarantines for Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County for emerald ash borer. Under this rule, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection ("DATCP") quarantines Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County to mitigate the movement of emerald ash borer to other areas of Wisconsin and other states.

DATCP is adopting this temporary emergency rule pending the adoption of a federal regulation to quarantine Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County. The emergency rule will take effect immediately upon publication in the official state newspaper, and will remain in effect for 150 days. The Legislature's Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules may extend the emergency rule for up to 120 additional days.

The United States Department of Agriculture-Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS) positively identified emerald ash borer in Milwaukee County near the border of Racine County and Waukesha County on August 28, 2009. This emergency rule creates DATCP quarantines for Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County. Federal quarantines will be enacted approximately two to six weeks after a formal submission by the state plant regulatory official. Emerald ash borer is carried by untreated ash wood products. A two to six week delay until enactment of the federal quarantine leaves too much time for businesses or individuals to move potentially emerald ash borer infested material out of the county to areas of Wisconsin or other states that are not infested with emerald ash borer.

Key Rule Provisions

This rule includes the following key provisions:

 Creates quarantines of emerald ash borer for Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County that prohibit the movement of all hardwood species of firewood, nursery stock, green lumber, and other material living, dead, cut or fallen, including

¹ This analysis includes, but is not limited to, a small business analysis ("regulatory flexibility analysis") under s. 227.114, Stats..

- logs, stumps, roots, branches and composted and uncomposted chips of the genus *Fraxinus* (Ash wood), out of the county.
- Provides an exemption for items that have been inspected and certified by a pest control official and are accompanied by a written certificate issued by the pest control official (some products, such as nursery stocks, cannot be given an exemption).
- Provides an exemption for businesses that enter into a state or federal compliance agreement. The compliance agreement spells out what a company can and cannot do with regulated articles.

Business Impact

This emergency rule may have an impact on persons or companies that deal in any hardwood firewood or ash materials in Milwaukee County, Racine County or Waukesha County. The affected businesses are all small businesses. This emergency rule restricts the sale or distribution of ash products plus any hardwood firewood from Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County to locations outside of Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County.

The business impact of this emergency rule depends on the number of nurseries that sell/distribute ash nursery stock outside the county, firewood producers/dealers that sell/distribute outside the county, saw mills that move untreated ash stock outside the county, and green wood waste that is moved outside the county.

Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County have a combined total of 84 licensed nursery growers that could possibly be growing ash nursery stock. Those growers will not be able to sell ash nursery stock outside of the county during the quarantine. There are also a total of 50 known firewood dealers in Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County. Additional firewood dealers are being identified weekly. Firewood dealers would need to be certified under s. ATCP 21.20 to sell firewood outside of the county. To obtain certification a firewood dealer will have to pay an annual certification fee to DATCP of \$50 and treat the firewood in a manner that insures it is free of emerald ash borer. There are 3 mills (non-veneer) in Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County and an unknown number of wood processing facilities that deal with ash. To sell ash wood products outside of their counties they will have to enter into a compliance agreement with DATCP or APHIS that authorizes movement of ash products outside of their county only when there is assurance that the movement will not spread emerald ash borer to other locations.

Accommodation for Small Business

DATCP recognizes that every small business is different. DATCP will work with individual businesses to meet the requirements of the quarantine while accommodating the unique character of the individual business. Therefore, each compliance agreement will be designed to satisfy the regulations with minimal negative effects to the business.

Conclusion

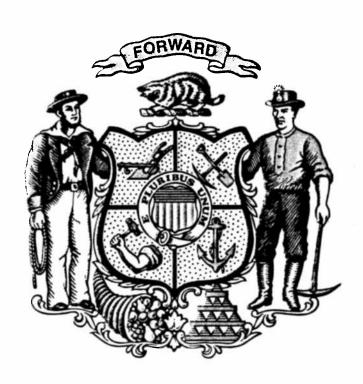
This rule will help affected businesses in Milwaukee County, Racine County and Waukesha County to move ash wood and material without moving emerald ash borer from their counties to areas free from emerald ash borer. This will in turn help to protect the resources on which they depend. This rule may impose some additional costs on some businesses, including small businesses, depending on the nature of their ash wood business. The department works closely with each affected business to minimize any costs and these costs are outweighed by the protection of Wisconsin's ash resource.

Dated this 8th day of Systember 2009

STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Kathy F. Pielsticker, Administrator

Division of Agricultural Resource Management





State of Wisconsin

Jim Doyle, Governor

Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Rod Nilsestuen, Secretary

DATE:

January 27, 2010

TO:

State Legislators

FROM:

Rodney J. Nilsestuen

Secretary

SUBJECT: Emergency Rule – Somatic Cell Standard for Goat Milk

Pursuant to s. 227.24(3), Stats., the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is forwarding a copy of an emergency rule relating to somatic cell standards for goat milk.

This emergency rule relaxes the current standard for somatic cells in goat milk to conform to a newly relaxed national standard. This rule will relieve Wisconsin's dairy goat industry of certain financial and operational burdens associated with the current standard, and will maintain competitive parity with other states.

DATCP is adopting this temporary emergency rule pending the adoption of a more "permanent" rule on the same subject. This emergency rule will provide interim relief to the dairy goat industry, pending the adoption of a "permanent" rule.

Background

Recently, the National Conference of Interstate Milk Shippers (NCIMS) voted to modify the Interstate Pasteurized Milk Ordinance (PMO) in order to relax the current standard for somatic cells in grade A dairy goat milk, from 1,000,000 somatic cells per ml to 1,500,000 per ml. The United States Food and Drug Administration accepted this change, and will include it in the next edition of the PMO. The United States Department of Agriculture is making an equivalent change in its somatic cell standard for Grade B goat milk (Grade B milk may not be sold as fluid milk, but may be used to manufacture non-fluid dairy products such as cheese).

Other states are likely to adopt the newly relaxed national standard. The Wisconsin dairy goat industry will be at a competitive disadvantage unless Wisconsin does the same. The new standard will not diminish public health protection, but will relieve goat milk producers and dairy plants from financial and operational burdens associated with the current standard. It is important to make this change as soon as possible, so that the Wisconsin industry is not unfairly burdened compared to other states. The dairy goat industry is a growing part of the state's dairy industry, and particularly of its emerging artisan cheese industry.

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Rule Content

This emergency rule relaxes Wisconsin's standard for somatic cells in Grade A and Grade B goat milk, from 1,000,000 somatic cells per ml to 1,500,000 per ml, to conform to the new national standard. This emergency rule also eliminates the current "immediate response" requirement, under which a dairy plant operator must immediately reject goat milk shipments from a producer whenever a somatic cell count on any shipment from that producer exceeds 1,500,000 per ml.

Fiscal Impact

This rule will have no fiscal impact on the state of Wisconsin or on local units of government. A complete *fiscal estimate* is attached.

Business Impact

This emergency rule will benefit the Wisconsin dairy goat industry, by relaxing the current somatic cell standard for dairy goat milk to conform to the newly relaxed national standard. This rule will maintain parity with other states, and will relieve goat milk producers and dairy plant operators of certain problems associated with the current somatic cell standard. A complete business impact analysis is attached.

Federal and Surrounding State Programs

Federal Programs

There is no federal law that compels this rule change. However this rule is consistent with recent changes in national standards (see above).

Surrounding State Programs

All surrounding states with dairy goat herds are likely to adopt the standard contained in this rule.

Next Steps

The DATCP Board approved this emergency rule on January 13, 2010. The rule will take effect immediately upon publication in the official state newspaper, and will remain in effect for 150 days unless extended by the Legislature's Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules. DATCP will hold a public hearing on this emergency rule, probably in conjunction with a public hearing on the proposed "permanent" rule, early in 2010 (hearing date and location to be determined).

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DATCP Docket No. 09-R-15

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

EMERGENCY RULE

- 1 The Wisconsin department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection hereby adopts the
- following emergency rule to amend ATCP 60.15(4) and 60.20(3) and (6) (intro.), (b) and (c);
- 3 relating to somatic cell standards for dairy goat milk.

Analysis Prepared by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

This emergency rule relaxes Wisconsin's current standard for somatic cells in goat milk to conform to a new, less stringent, national standard. The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is adopting this temporary emergency rule pending the adoption of a more "permanent" rule on the same subject.

This emergency rule will take effect immediately upon publication in the official state newspaper, and will remain in effect for 150 days. The Legislature's Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules may extend this emergency rule for up to 120 additional days.

Statutes Interpreted

Statutes Interpreted: ss. 97.22 and 97.24, Stats.

Statutory Authority

Statutory Authority: ss. 93.07(1), 97.22(8), 97.24(3) and 227.24, Stats.

Explanation of Statutory Authority

DATCP has broad general authority, under s. 93.07(1), Stats., to interpret laws under its jurisdiction. DATCP also has authority, under ss. 97.22(8) and 97.24(3), Stats., to adopt regulations governing the operation of dairy farms and the production of milk and fluid milk products.

DATCP is authorized to adopt temporary emergency rules under s. 227.24, Stats., if emergency rules are necessary to protect the public health, safety or welfare pending the adoption of "permanent" rules. This emergency rule protects the public welfare by maintaining the competitiveness of Wisconsin goat milk producers, relative to producers in other states, pending

the adoption of "permanent" rules to conform Wisconsin goat milk standards to new (less stringent) national standards.

Related Statutes and Rules

Dairy plant operators are required to test goat milk received from producers, to ensure that goat milk meets somatic cell and other standards. Milk must be tested in certified laboratories, and test results must be reported to DATCP. Serious or continued violations of milk quality standards may result in state enforcement action, including the suspension of a milk producer's grade A dairy farm permit. In some serious cases, dairy plant operators must take immediate action to reject milk shipments from the affected dairy farms until violations are eliminated. However, not all violations require such an "immediate response." See, generally, chs. ATCP 60 and 80, Wis. Adm. Code.

Wisconsin rules for grade A milk and fluid milk products (including goat milk and fluid goat milk products) must be in reasonable accord with the interstate pasteurized milk ordinance (PMO). See s. 97.24, Stats. The PMO is adopted by the National Conference on Interstate Milk Shipments (NCIMS) with the approval of the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and is administered by FDA. Wisconsin rules must be at least as stringent as the PMO in order for Wisconsin to ship milk and fluid milk products in interstate commerce.

Plain Language Analysis

Recently, NCIMS and FDA relaxed the PMO standard for somatic cells in Grade A goat milk, from 1,000,000 somatic cells per ml to 1,500,000 per ml. The United States Department of Agriculture is making an equivalent change in its somatic cell standard for Grade B goat milk (Grade B milk may not be sold as fluid milk, but may be used to manufacture non-fluid dairy products such as cheese).

This emergency rule relaxes Wisconsin's standard for somatic cells in Grade A and Grade B goat milk, from 1,000,000 somatic cells per ml to 1,500,000 per ml, to conform to the new national standard. This emergency rule also eliminates the current "immediate response" requirement, under which a dairy plant operator must immediately reject goat milk shipments from producer whenever a somatic cell count on any shipment from that producer exceeds 1,500,000 per ml.

Fiscal Impact

This rule will have no fiscal impact on the state of Wisconsin or on local units of government. A complete *fiscal estimate* is attached.

Business Impact

This emergency rule will benefit the Wisconsin dairy goat industry, by relaxing the current somatic cell standard for dairy goat milk to conform to the newly relaxed national standard. This rule will maintain parity with other states, and will relieve goat milk producers and dairy plant operators of certain problems associated with the current somatic cell standard. A complete business impact analysis is attached.

Federal and Surrounding State Programs

Federal Programs

There is no federal law that compels this rule change. However this rule is consistent with recent changes in national standards (see above).

Surrounding State Programs

All surrounding states with dairy goat herds are likely to adopt the standard contained in this rule.

Data and Analytical Methodologies

Somatic cell test methods for goat milk are currently prescribed by s. ATCP 60.22(3), Wis. Adm. Code. This rule does not change current test methods.

DATCP Contact

Questions and comments related to this rule may be directed to:

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FINDING OF EMERGENCY

- (1) Recently, the National Conference of Interstate Milk Shippers voted to relax the 2
 - standard for somatic cells in grade A goat milk, from 1,000,000 somatic cells per ml to
- 1,500,000 per ml. The United States Food and Drug Administration accepted this change and
- will include it in the next edition of the Interstate Pasteurized Milk Ordinance. The United States 5
- Department of Agriculture is adopting the same standard for grade B goat milk, as part of its 6
- standards for "Milk for Manufacturing Purposes and its Production and Processing." 7
- (2) Wisconsin rules currently establish a limit of 1,000, 000 somatic cells per ml in goat 8
- milk, which is more stringent than the new national standard of 1,500,000 per ml. The more 9

- stringent Wisconsin standard, if not modified to conform to the new national standard, will put
- Wisconsin dairy goat milk producers at a significant financial, operational, and competitive
- disadvantage compared to producers in other states.

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- 4 (3) This emergency rule modifies Wisconsin's current standard, and makes it consistent
- 5 with the new national standard. The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection
- 6 (DATCP) is adopting this rule as a temporary emergency rule, pending rulemaking proceedings
- to modify the standard on a more "permanent" basis. "Permanent" rulemaking proceedings
- 8 normally require over a year to complete. This emergency rule is needed to mitigate a potential
- 9 hardship to Wisconsin producers of dairy goat milk, pending the adoption of "permanent" rules.

EMERGENCY RULE

SECTION 1. ATCP 60.15(4) is amended to read:

ATCP 60.15(4) SOMATIC CELL COUNT. The somatic cell count of cow or sheep milk, as determined by a direct microscopic somatic cell count or and electronic somatic cell count under this subchapter, shall not exceed 750,000 cells per mil. The somatic cell count of goat milk, as determined by the Pyronin Y Methyl green stain test, shall not exceed 1,000,000 1,500,000 cells per ml. Except as provided under s. ATCP 60.20(6), a dairy plant is not required to reject milk shipments in response to a violation of this subsection unless the department suspends or revokes the milk producer's license or grade A permit, or issues an order affecting the milk shipments under s. ATCP 60.30.

SECTION 2. ATCP 60.20(3) and (6)(intro.), (b) and (c) are amended to read:

ATCP 60.20(3) TEST METHODS. A somatic cell count under the section shall be a direct microscopic somatic cell count or an electronic somatic cell count. If the somatic cell count on goat milk exceeds 1,000,0001,500,000, the somatic cell count shall be confirmed using the

1 Pyronin Y Methyl green stain test, unless that test was used to obtain the initial count.

2 (6)(intro.) IMMEDIATE RESPONSE LEVEL; REPORTING AND FOLLOW-UP. If a somatic cell

3 count under this section or s. ATCP 80.26 exceeds 1,000,000 somatic cells per ml. for cow or

4 sheep milk, or 1,500,000 for goat milk, the dairy plant operator shall do all the following:

(6)(b) Perform a confirmatory somatic cell count on at least one more sample of milk

6 collected from the milk producer's dairy farm. The operator shall collect the confirmatory

sample within 14 days after the date on which the operator collected the original sample. The

operator shall report the confirmatory somatic cell count to the department and the milk

producer within 3 business days after the operator obtains the confirmatory count. A dairy plant

operator shall use the Pyronin Y Methyl green stain test when performing a confirmatory somatic

11 cell count on goat milk.

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12 (6)(c) Reject milk shipments from the dairy farm if the confirmatory somatic cell count

under par. (b) still exceeds 1,000,000 somatic cells per ml. for cow or sheep milk, or 1,500,000

for goat milk. The milk producer may not ship cow or sheep milk from the dairy farm to any

dairy plant until a dairy plant operator conducts another somatic cell count and finds that the

count no longer exceeds this number.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE: This emergency rule takes effect upon publication, and

remains in effect for 150 days. The department may seek to extend this emergency rule as

provided in s. 227.24, Stats.

Dated this 27 day of January, 2010.

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,

TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Rodney J. Hilsestuen, Secretary

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Business Impact Analysis¹

Rule Subject:

Somatic Cell Limits in Dairy Goat Milk

Adm. Code Reference:

ATCP 60

Rules Clearinghouse #:

Not yet assigned

DATCP Docket #:

09-R-15

Rule Summary

This emergency rule changes the limit for somatic cell counts in dairy goat milk from 1,000,000 somatic cells per ml to 1,500,000 per ml to align with the national standard. As the new limit for somatic cells in dairy goat milk is equivalent to the current "immediate response level" for goat milk found in ATCP 60.20(6), this emergency rule removes this provision from the rule.

Business Impact

This emergency rule will not have a significant impact on Wisconsin dairy plant operators or dairy goat milk producers. The emergency rule makes no changes to current routine milk quality testing or reporting requirements. The emergency rule eliminates the "immediate response level" for dairy goat milk and may reduce resampling of those goat milk farms that exceed the current "immediate response level."

Accommodation for Small Business

Overall, this rule should have no adverse impact on small business. This rule relaxes the somatic cell limits in dairy goat milk. Most, if not all, dairy goat milk producers in Wisconsin are small businesses.

Conclusion

Overall, this rule will benefit Wisconsin's growing dairy goat industry by leveling the playing field between Wisconsin and other goat milk producing states.

¹ This analysis includes, but is not limited to, a small business analysis ("regulatory flexibility analysis") under ss. 227.114 and 227.19(3)(e), Stats.

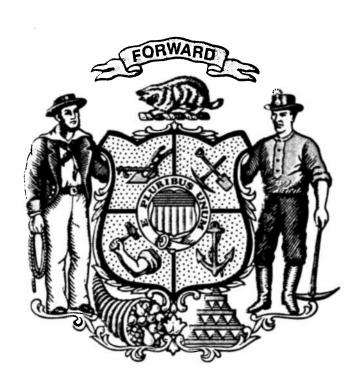
Dated this 25th day of Movember, 2009

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Steven C. Ingham, Administrator,

Division of Food Safety

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TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN:

I, Rodney J. Nilsestuen, Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection and custodian of its official records, certify all the following:

- (1) The department adopted the attached emergency rule on April 14, 2010. The emergency rule relates to food processing plant licensing exemption for certain homecanners and maple sap processors.
- (2) The emergency rule takes effect upon publication in the official state newspaper.
- (3) I have compared the attached copy of the emergency rule with the original kept by the department. The attached copy is a complete and accurate copy of the original.

Signed and sealed this 14 day of April, 2010, at the department offices in Madison, Wisconsin.

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Rodney J. Nilsestuen, Secretary



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State of Wisconsin Jim Doyle, Governor

Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection Rod Nilsestuen, Secretary

DATE:

April 14, 2010

TO:

State Legislators

FROM:

Rodney J. Nilsestuen, Secretary

SUBJECT:

Emergency Rule - Food Processing Plant Licensing Exemptions

for Certain Home-Canners and Maple Sap Processors

Pursuant to s. 227.24(3), Stats., the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is forwarding a copy of an emergency rule relating to food processing plant license exemptions for certain home-canners and maple sap processors. Among other things, this emergency rule implements 2009 Wis. Act 101, which created a limited food processing plant license exemption for individuals who home-can acidic, acidified or fermented vegetable or fruit products for sale at community or social events or farmers' markets.

Background

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) administers state food processing plant license requirements under s. 97.29, Stats. DATCP has adopted rules, under ch. ATCP 70, Wis. Adm. Code, to implement those license requirements.

A person who processes food for sale to the public is generally required to hold a food processing plant license under s. 97.29, Stats. (there are some exceptions). Persons who are engaged in dairy or meat processing, or who operate retail food establishments, must be licensed under other statutes. Local food license and zoning regulations may apply in some cases.

2009 Wis. Act 101 created a limited food processing plant license exemption for individuals who home-can acidic, acidified or fermented vegetable or fruit products for sale at community or social events or farmers' markets. This temporary emergency rule implements Act 101, pending the adoption of a "permanent" rule.

An emergency rule is needed to provide clear guidance to home canners who wish to sell their products to the public, and to protect the public against potentially serious food safety hazards (including botulism) from improperly home-canned products. An emergency rule is needed because a "permanent" rule cannot be adopted in time for the farmers' market season that begins in April or May, and because a new annual food processing plant license cycle began on April 1.

This emergency rule also creates a food processing plant license exemption for maple sap processors who process limited amounts of sap to create maple syrup or concentrated maple sap that is sold to other processors for further processing. The exempt processing activities do not pose a significant risk to public health. This emergency rule will relieve the affected maple sap

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processors from unnecessary licensing costs and compliance burdens, while ensuring adequate food safety protection. An emergency rule is needed, because a "permanent" rule cannot be adopted in time for the maple syrup production season, and because a new annual food processing plant license cycle began on April 1.

Rule Content

This temporary emergency rule exempts the following persons from licensing under s. 97.29, Stats., subject to certain conditions:

- An individual who home-cans acidic, acidified or fermented vegetable or fruit products for retail sale at a community or social event, farmers' market or farm roadside stand, and who receives no more than \$5,000 from those sales in any license year. This exemption implements the statutory exemption created by 2009 Wis. Act 101.
- A person who processes maple sap to create maple syrup or concentrated maple sap that the person sells to other processors for further processing, and who receives no more than \$5,000 from those sales in any license year.

Home Canning for Retail Sale

Under this emergency rule, a person who home-cans acidic, acidified or fermented vegetable or fruit products for retail sale at a community or social event, farmers' market or farm roadside stand is exempt from a food processing plant license under s. 97.29, Stats, if all of the following apply:

- The person is an individual, not a legal entity such as a corporation.
- The individual receives no more than \$5,000 in a license year from those sales. If two or more individuals home-can acidic, acidified or fermented vegetable or fruit products at the same home address, none of those individuals qualifies for the exemption unless their combined gross receipts from the sale of those products totals no more than \$5,000.
- The canned products have an equilibrium pH value of 4.6 or lower. The individual must test the first batch of product produced according to each separate recipe used by the individual during each license year, to verify that the product produced according to that recipe meets this pH requirement. The individual must keep, for at least 2 years, a record of each pH test.
- The individual registers annually with DATCP. There is no cost to register, and the registrant is not required to obtain a registration certificate from DATCP.

- The individual completes a home-canning safety course, or follows a written recipe (including ingredients and canning procedures) that reliably ensures the safety of each home-canned product.
- The individual discloses to potential buyers, by means of a sign or placard, that the canned products "are homemade in a kitchen that has not been subject to state inspection."
- Each canned product is properly labeled to include all of the following:
 - The name and address of the individual who canned the product.
 - The date on which the product was canned.
 - The following statement: "This product was made in a home not subject to state licensing or inspection."
 - A list of ingredients in descending order of prominence (major ingredients must be of vegetable or fruit origin). The list must include the common name of any ingredient that originates from milk, eggs, fish, crustacean shellfish, tree nuts, wheat, peanuts or soybeans.
- The individual keeps a complete written record of every batch of canned product.
 - The batch record must include the name of the product, the product recipe (including procedures and ingredients), the amount of the product batch canned and sold, the canning and sale dates, sale locations, gross sales receipts, the results of any pH test conducted on the product batch, and the disposition of any product not sold.
 - The individual must keep the record for at least two years after the individual sells or otherwise disposes of the product, and must make that record available to DATCP for inspection and copying upon request.

Maple Sap Processed for Sale to Other Processors

Under this rule, a person who processes maple sap to produce maple syrup or concentrated sap for sale to another processor for further processing is exempt from licensing under s. 97.29, Stats., if all of the following apply:

- The person receives less than \$5,000 from those sales in a license year.
- The person registers annually with DATCP. There is no cost to register, and the registrant is not required to obtain a registration certificate from DATCP.

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• The person keeps a written record of each sale, retains that record for at least 2 years, and makes the record available to DATCP for inspection and copying upon request. The record must include the name and address of the purchaser, the date of sale, the amount of maple syrup or concentrated maple sap sold, and the sale price.

Hearing on Emergency Rule

The DATCP Board approved this emergency rule on March 24, 2010. The rule will take effect immediately, upon publication in the official state newspaper. DATCP will schedule a follow-up hearing on the emergency rule at a later date and time, as provided in s. 227.24(4), Stats. The emergency rule hearing may be held in conjunction with hearings on the proposed "permanent" rule.

Questions or comments related to this emergency rule may be directed to:

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DATCP Docket No. 10-R-01

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

EMERGENCY RULE

- 1 The Wisconsin department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection hereby adopts the
- 2 following emergency rule to create ATCP 70.03(7)(e) and (f) and (notes); relating to food
- 3 processing plant license exemptions for certain home-canners and maple sap processors.

Analysis Prepared by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) administers state food processing plant license requirements under s. 97.29, Stats. This temporary emergency rule exempts the following persons from licensing under s. 97.29, Stats., subject to certain conditions:

- An individual who home-cans acidic, acidified or fermented vegetable or fruit products for retail sale at a community or social event, farmers' market or farm roadside stand, and receives no more than \$5,000 from those sales in any license year. This exemption implements the statutory exemption created by 2009 Wis. Act 101.
- A person who processes maple sap to create maple syrup or concentrated maple sap that the person sells only to other processors for further processing, and who receives no more than \$5,000 from those sales in any license year.

DATCP is adopting this temporary emergency rule pending the adoption of a "permanent" rule to cover the same matters.

- This emergency rule is needed to implement 2009 Act 101, to provide clear guidance to home canners who wish to sell their products to the public, and to protect the public against potentially serious food safety risks.
- This emergency rule is also needed to relieve certain maple sap processors from unnecessary cost and compliance burdens, while ensuring adequate food safety protection.
- A temporary emergency rule is needed now because a "permanent" rule cannot be completed in time for this year's farmers market and maple syrup production seasons.

 This emergency rule will take effect immediately upon publication in the official state newspaper, and will remain in effect for 150 days. The Legislature's Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules may extend this emergency rule for up to 120 additional days.

Statutes Interpreted

Statutes Interpreted: ss. 97.09(4), 97.29 and 227.24, Stats.

Statutory Authority

Statutory Authority: ss. 93.07(1), 97.09(4), 97.29(1)(g)8. and (5), and 227.24, Stats.

Explanation of Statutory Authority

- DATCP has broad general authority, under s. 93.07(1), Stats., to interpret laws under its jurisdiction.
- Under s. 97.09(4), Stats., DATCP may establish and enforce standards governing the production, processing, packaging labeling, transportation, storage, handling, display, sale, including retail sale, and distribution of foods that are needed to protect the public from the sale of adulterated or misbranded foods.
- Under s. 97.29(1)(g)8. and (5), Stats., DATCP may spell out food processing plant license requirements and exemptions.
- DATCP is authorized to adopt temporary emergency rules under s. 227.24, Stats., if emergency rules are needed to protect the public health, safety or welfare pending the adoption of "permanent" rules on the same subject.

Related Statutes and Rules

DATCP administers Wisconsin's food safety and labeling laws under ch. 97, Stats., including food processing plant license requirements under s. 97.29, Stats. (as modified by 2009 Wis. Act 101). DATCP has adopted food processing plant licensing rules under ch. ATCP 70, Wis. Adm. Code.

A person who processes food for sale or distribution is generally required to hold a state food processing plant license under s. 97.29, Stats. (there are certain exemptions). Persons who are engaged in dairy or meat processing, or who operate retail food establishments, must be licensed under other statutes. Local food license and zoning regulations may apply in some cases.

2009 Wis. Act 101 exempted, from state licensing under s. 97.29, Stats., persons who home-can acidic, acidified or fermented vegetable or fruit products for retail sale at a community or social events or farmers' markets, provided that the person receives no more than \$5,000 from those sales during the license year. Act 101 does not exempt those persons from other state license requirements that may apply, nor does it exempt them from local licensing or zoning ordinances that may apply.

Plain Language Analysis

Home Canning for Retail Sale

Under this emergency rule, a person who home-cans acidic, acidified or fermented vegetable or fruit products for retail sale at a community or social event, farmers' market or farm roadside stand is exempt from a food processing plant license under s. 97.29, Stats, if all of the following apply:

- The person is an individual, not a legal entity such as a corporation.
- The individual receives no more than \$5,000 during the license year from those sales. If 2 or more individuals home-can acidic, acidified or fermented vegetable or fruit products at the same home address, none of those individuals qualifies for the license exemption unless their combined gross receipts from the sale of those products totals no more than \$5,000.
- The canned products have an equilibrium pH value of 4.6 or lower. The individual must test the first batch of canned product produced according to each separate recipe used by the individual in each license year, to verify that canned products produced according to that recipe meet this pH requirement. The individual must keep, for at least 2 years, a record of each pH test.
- The individual registers annually with DATCP. There is no cost to register, and the registrant is not required to obtain a registration certificate from DATCP.
- The individual completes a home-canning safety course, or follows a written recipe (including ingredients and canning procedures) that reliably ensures the safety of each home-canned product.
- The individual discloses to potential buyers, by means of a sign or placard, that the canned products "are homemade in a kitchen that has not been subject to state inspection."
- Each canned product is properly labeled to include all of the following:
 - The name and address of the individual who canned the product.
 - The date on which the product was canned.
 - The following statement: "This product was made in a home not subject to state licensing or inspection."

- A list of ingredients in descending order of prominence (major ingredients must be of vegetable or fruit origin). The list must include the common name of any ingredient that originates from milk, eggs, fish, crustacean shellfish, tree nuts, wheat, peanuts or soybeans.
- The individual keeps a complete written record of every batch of canned product.
 - The batch record must include the name of the product, the product recipe (including procedures and ingredients), the amount of the product batch canned and sold, the canning and sale dates, the sale location, gross sales receipts, the results of any pH test conducted on the product, and the disposition of any product not sold.
 - The individual must keep the record for at least 2 years after the individual sells or otherwise disposes of the product, and must make that record available to DATCP for inspection and copying upon request.

Maple Sap Processed for Sale to Other Processors

Under this rule, a person who processes maple sap to produce maple syrup or concentrated maple sap for sale to another processor for further processing is exempt from licensing under s. 97.29, Stats., if all of the following apply:

- The person receives less than \$5,000 from those sales in a license year.
- The person registers annually with DATCP. There is no cost to register, and the registrant is not required to obtain a registration certificate from DATCP.
- The person keeps a written record of each sale, retains that record for at least 2 years, and makes the record available to DATCP for inspection and copying upon request. The record must include the name and address of the purchaser, the date of sale, the amount of maple syrup or concentrated maple sap sold, and the sale price.

Fiscal Impact

This rule will not have a significant fiscal impact on the state of Wisconsin or on local governments. A complete *fiscal estimate* is attached.

Business Impact

This emergency rule implements 2009 Wis. Act 101, which removes license requirements for certain home-canners who wish to sell their products to the public at community or social events, farmers' markets and farm roadside stands. The food safety standards in this rule will help protect the public from serious food safety hazards (including botulism) that may be associated with improperly home-canned products. The prevention of food safety problems promotes public confidence, and benefits the entire food industry including home-canners.

This emergency rule may encourage some home-canning hobbyists to sell their home-canned products at community or social events, at farmers' markets, or at their own farm roadside stands. That may have an adverse competitive impact on licensed canners who currently supply those sales outlets, although the adverse effect is likely to be minimal. Larger food canning businesses that supply canned food for the mass consumer market will not be significantly affected by this emergency rule.

This rule also exempts certain small maple sap processors from licensing under s, 97.29. The exemption will relieve those processors from unnecessary licensing costs and compliance burdens, while ensuring adequate food safety protection.

A complete business impact analysis is attached.

Environmental Impact

This rule will not have any significant environmental impact.

Federal and Surrounding State Programs

Federal Programs

There is no federal law that addresses these issues, or compels DATCP to adopt this emergency rule.

Surrounding State Programs

Minnesota exempts a person from licensing as a food processor if the person produces less than \$5,000 of non-potentially hazardous food or less than \$5,000 of home-canned acidified food. Home-canned acidified foods may only be sold at community or social events or farmers' markets in Minnesota. A point-of-sale placard and the product label must disclose that the product was produced in an unlicensed and uninspected home setting. The product label must also disclose the name and address of the processor and the date the goods were processed. Wisconsin's new law (2009 Act 101) was influenced by Minnesota's law.

Illinois and Michigan have no laws related to home-processed foods. All food processed for sale to the public in Illinois and Michigan must be processed in a licensed facility.

In Iowa, individuals may annually process up to \$20,000 in potentially-hazardous baked goods (including soft pies and bakery products with a custard or cream filling) at a licensed "home food establishment" for sale on the premises (the bakery goods may be consumed elsewhere). Individuals may sell non-potentially hazardous home-baked goods at a farmers' market, without a license. Canning and processing of low acid or acidified foods must be done in a licensed commercial establishment.

Data and Analytical Methodologies

This emergency rule is not based on any specialized data or analytical methodologies. Portions of this rule (such as pH requirements for home-canned food sold to the public) are based on well-established food science and public health principles.

DATCP Contact

Questions and comments related to this rule may be directed to:

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FINDING OF EMERGENCY

- 1 (1) The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection (DATCP) administers 2 state food processing plant license requirements under s. 97.29, Stats.
- 2) Recent legislation (2009 Act 101, enacted on February 4, 2010) created a limited exemption from food processing plant license requirements under s. 97.29, Stats., for persons
- who home-can limited quantities of acidic, acidified or fermented vegetable and fruit products
- for retail sale at community and social events or at farmers' markets.
- 7 (3) Home-canned food products, if not properly canned, may pose a risk of serious food safety hazards such as botulism.
- 9 (4) DATCP has received many requests for clarification of the new license exemption
 10 under Act 101. In order to facilitate compliance and protect consumers from potentially serious
 11 food safety hazards, DATCP must adopt administrative rules to clarify the scope, application and
 12 terms of the new license exemption.

- (5) Implementing rules are urgently needed because of the seriousness of the potential food safety hazards, and the seasonal nature of the farmers' markets and other events at which home-canned products may be sold. The normal rulemaking process takes over a year to complete, and cannot be completed in time for this summer's farmers' markets (which begin as early as mid-April or May). Persons who wish to sell home-canned food products must clearly understand the scope of the license exemption, and the food safety standards that must be met in order to qualify.
- (6) This temporary emergency rule clarifies the scope, application and terms of the new license exemption under Act 101, pending the completion of "permanent" rules by the normal rulemaking process. This emergency rule is needed to protect the public health, safety and welfare, and to facilitate fair and orderly implementation of the new license exemption.
- under s. 97.29, Stats., a person who collects and processes relatively small quantities of maple sap to produce maple syrup or concentrated maple sap for sale to other processors for further processing. These small-scale processing activities pose minimal food safety risks, and the current license requirement imposes an unnecessary cost and compliance burden. An emergency rule is needed to relieve these cost and compliance burdens for the maple sap collection and processing season that typically begins in March. This emergency rule creates a temporary license exemption, pending the completion of "permanent" rules by the normal rulemaking process. This emergency rule clearly defines the scope, application and terms of the exemption, in order to protect public health, safety and welfare.

EMERGENCY RULE

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- ATCP 70.03(7)(e) The processing of maple sap to produce maple syrup or concentrated
 maple sap if all of the following apply:
- 1. The processor sells the maple syrup or concentrated maple sap only to other processors for further processing.
- 7 2. The processor's combined gross receipts from all sales under subd. 1. during the license year total less than \$5,000.
 - 3. The processor keeps a written record of every sale under subd. 1., retains that record for at least 2 years, and makes the record available for inspection and copying by the department upon request. The record shall include the name and address of the purchasing processor, the date of sale, the amount of maple syrup or concentrated maple sap sold, and the sale price.
 - 4. The processor registers with the department before engaging in any processing activities under this paragraph in any license year ending March 31. A registration expires at the end of the license year. A processor shall register in writing on a form provided by the department, or shall register online at http://www.datcp.state.wi.us/core/food/food.jsp. The registration shall include information reasonably required by the department, including the registrant's name and address and information related to the nature, location and scope of the registrant's processing activities and product sales. There is no fee to register, and the registrant is not required to hold a registration certificate from the department.
 - (f) An individual canning a vegetable or fruit product at that individual's home in this state, for retail sale to consumers who take delivery in this state, if all of the following apply:

- 1. The individual sells and personally delivers the canned product to purchasers at a
 2 community or social event or farmers' market, or at a roadside stand operated on the farm where
 3 the individual resides.
 - 2. The canned product has an equilibrium pH value of 4.6 or lower. The individual shall test the first batch of product canned according to each separate recipe used by the individual under this paragraph during each license year, to verify that products canned according to that recipe meet this pH requirement. Each pH test shall be conducted with a pH meter that is properly calibrated for that day's use, except that the test may be conducted with short-range pH paper if the product type normally has a pH of 4.0 or lower and if the range of the pH paper includes a pH of 4.6.
 - 3. The individual's gross receipts from all retail sales of canned products under this paragraph during the license year are less than \$5,000. If 2 or more individuals are engaged in canning activities under this paragraph at the same residential address, none of those individuals qualifies for the license exemption under this paragraph unless their combined gross receipts from retail sales of canned products under this paragraph during the license year are less than \$5,000.
 - 4. The individual prominently displays a sign at each place of sale stating: "These canned goods are homemade in a kitchen that has not been subject to state inspection."
- 5. Each container of the canned product is labeled with all of the following:
- a. The name and address of the individual who canned the product.
 - b. The date on which the product was canned.

c. The following statement: "This product was made in a home not subject to state licensing or inspection."

d. A list of ingredients in descending order of prominence. The list shall include the common name of any ingredient that originates from milk, eggs, fish, crustacean shellfish, tree nuts, wheat, peanuts or soybeans.

- 6. The individual registers with the department before engaging in any home canning activities under this paragraph in any license year ending March 31. A registration expires at the end of the license year. The individual shall register in writing on a form provided by the department, or shall register online at http://www.datcp.state.wi.us/core/food/food.jsp. The registration shall include information reasonably required by the department, including the registrant's name and address and information related to the nature, location and scope of the registrant's home canning activities and canned product sales. There is no fee to register, and the registrant is not required to hold a registration certificate from the department.
 - 7. The individual has documentation to show that he or she has completed a department-approved acidified food processing course, or has canned the vegetable or fruit product according to a written recipe that reliably ensures the safety of the product.
 - **NOTE:** An acidified food processing course provided or approved by the university of Wisconsin-extension is deemed to be a department-approved course under subd. 7. The department may approve other courses upon request.

A recipe qualifies under subd. 7. if it is published in the current edition of the *Ball Blue Book* or the *Ball Complete Book of Home Preserving*, or is published by the National Center for Home Food Preservation (www.uga.edu/nchfp) or the University of Wisconsin (www.foodsafety.wisc.edu/preservation.html). Other written recipes may qualify if the individual can objectively document that the recipe (including food ingredients and canning procedures) reliably ensures the safety of the canned food product.

8. The individual maintains a complete written record of every batch of product canned for sale under this paragraph, including the name of the product, the product recipe including procedures and ingredients, the amount of product canned and sold, the canning date, product

- sale dates and locations, gross sales receipts, the results of any pH test conducted on product 1 from the batch, and the disposition of any product not sold. The individual shall retain the record 2 for at least 2 years after the individual sells or otherwise disposes of all product from the batch, 3 and shall make that record available to the department for inspection and copying upon request. 4 NOTE: The department offers a Home Processing and Canning Fact Sheet describing 5 the types of home-canned foods that may be canned for sale under par. (f) without 6 a state food processing plant license. You may obtain a free copy of the fact sheet 7 by contacting the department at the following address: 8 9 Wisconsin Department Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection 10 Division of Food Safety 11 12 PO Box 8911 13 Madison, WI 53708-8911 14 The fact sheet is also available at the department's website at 15 http://www.datcp.state.wi.us/core/food/food.jsp. 16 17 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE: This emergency rule takes effect upon publication and 18 remains in effect for 150 days. The department may seek to extend this emergency rule as
 - provided in s. 227.24, Stats. Dated this /4/h day of April, 2010.

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WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

ZRodney J. Nilsestuen, Secretary

Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Business Impact Analysis¹

Emergency Rule Creating License Exemptions Rule Subject:

For Certain Small Food Processors

ATCP 70 Adm. Code Reference: Rules Clearinghouse #:

None

DATCP Docket #:

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Rule Summary

This temporary emergency rule does all of the following:

- Implements 2009 Wis. Act 101, which exempts certain home canning operations from food processing plant licensing requirements under s. 97.29, Stats. This rule exempts individuals who home-can small amounts of vegetable or fruit products for sale at community or social events, a farmers' market or a farm roadside stand. The emergency rule clarifies the scope, application and terms of the statutory license exemption, and includes food safety requirements to protect the public from serious food safety hazards that may be associated with home canned products.
- Creates a food processing plant license exemption for maple sap processors who process limited amounts of sap to create maple syrup or concentrated maple sap that is sold to other processor for further processing.

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is adopting this temporary emergency rule pending the adoption of "permanent" rules on the same matters.

Business Impact

Home Canning License Exemption

This emergency rule will benefit home-canners who wish to sell their home-canned vegetable or fruit products at community or social events, at farmers' markets, or at their own farm roadside stands. Those home canners will no longer need a food processing plant license, provided that the sell less than \$5,000 worth of home-canned product during the license year and meet other requirements for exemption. Exempt home canners will save a \$95 annual license fee, and will be exempt from facility construction and sanitation requirements that apply to licensed food processing plants.

This analysis includes, but is not limited to, a small business analysis ("regulatory flexibility analysis") under ss. 227.114 and 227.19(3)(e), Stats.

License-exempt sales of home-canned products may have an adverse competitive impact on licensed canners who currently supply those sales outlets, although the adverse effect is likely to be minimal. Larger food canning businesses that supply canned food for the mass consumer market will not be significantly affected by this emergency rule.

Maple Sap Processing Exemption

This emergency rule will also benefit persons who process maple sap to produce maple syrup or concentrated maple sap for sale to other processors for further processing. Those persons will no longer need a food processing plant license, provided that they sell less than \$5,000 worth of maple syrup or concentrated maple sap for further processing in the license year and meet other requirements for exemption. Exempt maple sap processors will save a \$95 annual license fee, and will be exempt from facility construction and sanitation requirements that apply to licensed food processing plants.

Accommodation for Small Business

This rule is designed to benefit certain small businesses, including home canners and maple sap processors, by exempting them from food processing plant licensing requirements. This rule will not have any significant adverse impact on small business.

To qualify for a license exemption under this rule, a small business must meet the food safety requirements prescribed in this rule. Those requirements are minimal requirements needed to protect public health and safety. Home-canned products, if not properly canned, may pose serious public health risks including botulism risks.

DATCP will publish fact sheets about this emergency rule, and will make them available to affected small businesses. DATCP will also notify interested small business and food processing associations, and invite their comments on this emergency rule and eventual "permanent" rule.

Conclusion

This rule will benefit certain small businesses, including certain maple sap processors and home canners. This rule will not have a significant adverse effect on small businesses or other business.

Dated this 12th day of March , 2010

STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

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Fiscal Estimate — 2001 Session

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Fiscal Estimate Worksheet — 2001 Session Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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