

Dairy Rules Advisory Committee
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 WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION (DATCP)
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TOPICS

- 1) ATCP 82 Scope Statement process
- 2) PBFH change impact on survey scores
- 3) New Emergency Sealer Program
- 4) Regulatory update
- 5) 2021 final inspection numbers
- 6) Celebrate June Dairy Month



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ATCP 82 PROGRESS – NEXT STEPS

- Completed 2 internal reviews
- Secretary's signature
- DOA / governor's office for signature
- DATCP board meeting July 2022




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PBFI, COVID AND RE-CATORGIZATION

COVID stressors:

- Economic disruptions
- Supply chain issues
- Milk disposal discussions
- Production quotas were discussed
- After Safer at Home order, 4,000+ inspections
- Decision was made to follow the ATCP and only mark key violations and not re-categorize for more than 5 non key violations.



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SURVEY ENFORCEMENT FAILURES

- We have seen several BTU enforcement failures.
- This is a reflection on DATCP as much as the plant
- We are working on several options
 - Working with FDA Grade A program
 - We are working with our support teams to upgrade our data management system



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CURRENT COVID MEASURES

Measures are being taken by staff:

- ▣ Conducting daily self-assessments for symptoms.
- ▣ Following CDC guidance for exposure of vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals.

Our response will continue to evolve as conditions change.



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EMERGENCY PLANT SEALER QUICK SYNOPSIS

With certified industry timer sealer staff:

- 1) Immediately notify state of the time of shut down.
- 2) Break the seal.
- 3) Assess and make needed repairs.
- 4) Obtain permission to reseal equipment.
- 5) Run appropriate PMO test procedures.
- 6) Apply temporary industry seal.
- 7) Go back to production.
- 8) State to reseal within 10 days.



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BENEFITS TO PROGRAM

- Plant staff trained to better deal with pasteurizer issues.
- Properly completed broken seal report.
- Ability to run Appendix I test procedures.
- Apply an industry seal.
- Phosphatase testing is optional, not required
- Brings Grade A facilities into compliance with the PMO.
- Plant is in control of its product and process.
- **This all equals less product placed on hold or diverted when broken seals occur.**



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PLANTS W/O EMERGENCY PLANT SEALERS

Follow current broken seal process with phosphatase testing on fluid white milk products. Includes cream, et al.



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PILOT WITH SEVERAL PLANTS

- 1) Initial plan was for a soft start.
- 2) We will assess the process and make any needed adjustments.
- 3) Move forward with volunteers.
- 4) Our priority is to the plants invited to the pilot.
- 5) We will evaluate the process before committing to move forward.



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EMERGENCY PLANT SEALER- PILOT TIME LINE

- Started UW virtual course in February.
- Industry participants need, see [Emergency Plant Sealer Industry Guidance](#)
 - Pasteurizer operator course
 - Emergency sealer course
 - Complete the application process
 - In plant OJT – optional
- In plant verifications



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RETIREMENTS & FAREWELLS

- Mitch Lohr – Dairy Technical Specialist
- Chris Zabel – Food & Dairy Sanitarian
- Nancy Smit – Laboratory Evaluation Officer



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STAFFING

Vacant positions:

- 1- Dairy Technical Specialist
- 2- Dairy Environmental Health Sanitarians



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STAFFING ADDITIONS

Environmental Health Sanitarian

- ▣ Courtney Bowman
- ▣ Lucas Dawson
- ▣ Craig Lallensack

Environmental Health Sanitarian

Adv. - Grader

- ▣ Alex Sobeck

Laboratory Evaluation Officer

- Mary Wagner



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2022 DAIRY SECTION INSPECTION NUMBERS

Farms	License	Insp. #
Grade A Farms	6250	12308
Grade B Farms	970	-



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2021 DAIRY SECTION INSPECTION NUMBERS (CONT.)

Hauling Numbers-	License	Insp. #
Bulk Milk Tankers	3130	2094
Bulk Milk Tank Cl. Fac.	84	164
BMWS	2682	1355



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2021 DAIRY SECTION INSPECTION NUMBERS (CONT.)

Plants	licenses	Insp.#
Grade A Plants	37	148
Grade B Plants	356	687



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2021 DAIRY SECTION INSPECTION NUMBERS (CONT.)

Dairy Technical Specialist:

• Pasteurizers	588
• Reseals	415
• ACaSS	22
• Variances/eq. reviews	60
• Plant plans	25
• Farm Plans	280
• AMI reviews	23

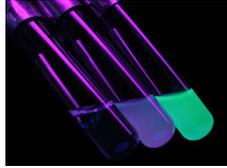


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2021 DAIRY SECTION INSPECTION NUMBERS (CONT.)

Laboratory Evaluation Officers

- 3 commercial lab biennials and 1 supplemental.
- 7 industry full service lab biennials and 4 supplemental.
- 31 certified drug residue lab biennials and 10 supplemental.
- 69 water lab biennials and 3 supplemental.
- 8 drug residue screening lab visits.



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2021 DAIRY SECTION INSPECTION NUMBERS (CONT.)

Milk Safety Rating Officers:

Plants	26
Receiving stations	26
Transfer stations	4
BTU surveys	71
actual farm # surveyed	1128



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2021 DAIRY SECTION INSPECTION NUMBERS (CONT.)

Multiproduct Graders:

• Cheese Makers	1,266
• Cheese Graders	373
• Butter Makers	55
• Butter Graders	74



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DATCP DAIRY SECTION VISION AND MISSION

Vision

Ensure Wisconsin Dairy products are produced and distributed following state and federal regulations to produce a safe and quality dairy product.

Mission

DATCP Dairy Section is responsible for implementation of state and federal programs for all dairy farm and dairy plants including licensing, inspection, technical reviews, personal licenses and grading services.



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CELEBRATIONS

- Emergency Plant Sealer program is moving forward.
- FDA MF contract inspections completed.
- BMWWS fairground schedule
- DRAC has provided excellent forum to discuss dairy regulatory issues.
- DRAC meeting moving back to in-person.
- CDR created an updated PCQI course.



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CELEBRATING JUNE DAIRY MONTH

Wisconsin has a rich dairy history:

1. Second largest state for milk production.
2. Largest farm numbers.
3. largest cheese producing state.
4. Licensed cheesemakers.
5. Licensed cheese and butter graders
6. Number of unique cheeses produced in WI **650+**

Truly special dairy products come from Wisconsin!



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Pasteurizer Subcommittee

- On-line training begins for Emergency Plant Sealer Certification
 - 12 modules created at UW; 6-7 hours of training videos
 - Dr. Rankin testing, grading individuals
 - Apply online for in situ (OJT) with WDATCP personnel
 - Training at each plant site; most complex pasteurizer system
 - Discussion: Program would benefit from a clear "how to" process flow.

- Survey after meeting: 14 replies to an industry survey of interest.
 Noted 55-75 potential emergency sealers. Estimate more than 100 across broader industry.

Pasteurizer Subcommittee

- WDATCP draft Guidance on preparation for WDATCP inspection when a broken seal is reported.
 - Complements Broken Seal Report
 - Requires completion of Broken Seal Report (not complete 70% of time)
 - Discussion: Industry members offer to share their internal SOP for completing BSR

Pasteurizer Subcommittee

- Product on hold
 - Market channels for product
 - WDATCP looking into better nomenclature to describe product on hold

Pasteurizer Subcommittee

- Product phosphatase testing
 - WDATCP laboratory cannot perform the BAM-27 test
- Electronic records and broken seals
 - Discuss: Electronic controllers are in test for approval by FDA.
