PROCESS AUTHORITY LIST

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FDA 21 CFR 113.3 Low-Acid Foods and 21 CFR 114.3 Acidified Foods regulations require a schedule process authority. Low-acid foods regulation states that “a scheduled process be established by qualified persons having expert knowledge of thermal processing requirements in hermetically sealed containers and having adequate facilities for making such determinations.” Acidified foods requirements state a “scheduled process means the process selected by a processor as adequate for use under the conditions of manufacture for a food in achieving and maintaining a food that will not permit the growth of microorganisms having public health significance. It includes control of pH and other critical factors equivalent to the process established by a competent processing authority.

USDA regulation 9 CFR 318.300 has a requirement for a ”process authority” which is defined as “the person(s) or organization(s) having expert knowledge of thermal processing requirements for foods in hermetically sealed containers, having access to facilities for making such determinations, and designated by the establishment to perform certain functions.”

This list is intended to assist in locating a process authority.

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Indiana State Department of Health
Food Protection Program
2 North Meridian 5C
Indianapolis, IN 46204
317.233.360
ABC Research Corporation
3437 SW 24th Ave.
Gainesville FL 32607
Tel: 352-372-0436
Fax: 352-378-6483
Email: info@abcr.com
www.abcr.com
Comments: From website, June 2003, “ABC Research Corp. has long provided expert process authority and related consulting services.”

Cornelius, Bill
Ohio State University
www.ohioline.ag.ohio-state.edu
Comments: (from OSU website, June 2003) “Bill Cornelius/ Adjunct Professor and Process Authority, The Ohio State University”.

Creative Research Management, Inc.
2029 E. Harding Way
Stockton CA 95205
Tel: 209-938-0900
Fax: 209-938-0769
www.crmcorp.net
Comments: "Contract research services include product and process development, aseptically packaged samples, full-service process authority...."

Daugherty, Dr. Richard H.
Extension Food Processing Specialist
Washington State University
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PO Box 646376
Pullman WA 99164-6376
Tel: 509-335-0972
Fax: 509-335-4815
Email: dougherty@wsu.edu
Information from: //foodprocessing-safety.wsu.edu/documents/Acidified%20foods%evaluation.html

Dajani, Sam H.
OA Laboratories and Research, Inc.
1430 North Stadium Drive
Indianapolis, Indiana 46202
Tel: 317-639-262
Email: OALabsandRes@aol.com
ESI Qual International
968 Washington Street
Stoughton MA 02072
Tel: 800-443-0511
Fax: 781-341-3978
Email: Info@ESIQual.com
www.esiqual.com
Comments: June 2003, from company website. “Manufacturing Process Authority”.

FSI (Food Science Institute)
148 Waters Hall
Kansas State University
Manhattan KS 66506
Tel: 785-532-2202
Fax: 785-532-5861
Email: foodsci@k-state.edu
foodsci.k-state.edu
Comments: October 2003, from the website. "Act as a 'Processing Authority,' as defined by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)."

Flores, Nancy C., Ph.D.
Food Technology Specialist
Cooperative Extension Service
College of Agriculture and Home Economics
Dept. of Extension Home Economics
New Mexico State University
PO Box 30003 MSC 3AE
Las Cruces NM 88003-8003
Tel: 505-646-1179
Fax: 505-646-1889
Email: naflores@nmsu.edu
Comments: 06/07/03 “….I can act as PA for acidified foods.
$100.00 per product for out of state companies.

Grall, Steven G., PE
28 Valley View Dr.
Lemont IL 60439-4450
Tel: 630-243-0075
Email: sgrall@grall.com
www.grall.com/
Comments: Aug. 1, 2003 Mr. Grall confirmed by phone that he can act as a process authority for acidified and lacf.
Mikel, Dr. William Benjy  
205 WP Garrigus Bldg  
University of Kentucky  
Lexington KY 40546  
Tel: 859-257-7550  
Fax: 859-257-5318  
Comment (from email): “I work with the food industry in Kentucky in regards to Food Safety issues…”

Mezoff, Richard  
Kitchen Manager, Ohio River Valley Food Venture  
975 Industrial Dr.,  
Madison, IN 47250  
812-574-4061  
mezoff@madisonchamber.org  
Primarily serves as processing authority for a regional commercial kitchen

(The) National Food Laboratory, Inc.  
6363 Clark Avenue  
Dublin CA 94568-3097  
Tel: 925-828-1440  
Fax: 925-833-9239  
Comments: June, 2003 “The NFL serves as a strategic partner for manufacturers and processors of food, food ingredients, agricultural chemicals, personal care products, and food related packaging. We work closely with our clients in every phase of product development, testing and evaluation: from concept and prototype, to formulation, processing, scale-up, microbiology, chemical analysis, packaging, sensory testing, and marketing research…”

National Food Processors Association (NFPA)  
Comments: From the association website, July 2003, “NFPA’s Center for Technical Assistance in Dublin, California, focuses exclusively on providing Members with direct technical assistance and consultation. As an NFPA Member, you can call upon the staff…process authority.”  
If you are not an NFPA member, contact Membership 800-355-0983 or membership@nfpa-food.org  
www.nfpa-food.org

Northeast Center for Food Entrepreneurship  
www.nysaes.cornell.edu/necfe/personnel.html  
Listed Process Authorities:
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Silk, Todd, Ph.D.
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Nutrition & Food Sciences
University of Vermont
Burlington VT 05405-0044
Tel: 802-656-0147
Fax: 802-656-0001
Email: tsilk@zoo.uvm.edu

Downing, Don L. Ph.D.
NYS Food Venture Center
Department of Food Science & Technology
NYSAES
Cornell University
Geneva NY 14456
Tel: 315-787-2273
Fax: 315-787-2284
Email: dld@cornell.edu

O’Leary, Dr. Joe
Food Analyst
Food Science Department
203 WP Garrigus Bldg
University of Kentucky
Lexington KY 40546
Tel: 859-257-5882
Fax: 859-257-5318
Email: joleary@uky.edu
Comment: Considered a long-time resource.

Peterson, Dennis A.
Email: dennispeterson@centurytel.net
//home.centurytel.net/dennispeterson/
Comments: From website, June 2003, “Recognized Thermal Processing Authority…..”

PhF Specialists Inc.
Pam Hardt-English & Peter Cocotas
PO Box 7697
San Jose CA 95150
Tel: 408-275-0161
Fax: 408-280-0979
Email: phfspec@pacbell.net
Peter@phfspec.com
www.phfspec.com
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Comments: June 2003 “HACCP development, training, verification. Sanitation/GMP audits and programs. Thermal processing. FDA/USDA recognized process authority. Third part audits.”

Process Tek
Kailash S. Purohit, Ph.D.
Consultant, Food, Drug & Device
1991 Big Bend Drive
Des Plaines IL 60016-3518
Tel/Fax: 847-296-9312
VoiceMail: 847-922-6682
Email: kaipurohit@processtek.net
Comments: "Process and Software Validation"

STOCK America East
Sterilization Systems Division
1935 Evans Road
Cary NC 27513
Tel: 919-678-8201
Fax: 919-678-8204
www.stockamerica.com

TechniCAL
Consulting Services and Products for the Food Processing Industry
250 Plauche Street
New Orleans LA 70123
Tel: 504-733-0300
Fax: 504-733-0345
Email: info@tcal.com
www.tcal.com/
Comments: From the website, June 2003, “TechniCAL often refers to itself as one of the industry’s leading process authorities.”

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Agricultural and Biological Engineering Department
University of Florida
PO Box 110570
Gainesville FL 32611-0570
Tel: 352-392-1864, ext. 207
Fax: 352-392-4092
Web Homepage: www.agen.ufl.edu/~atex/
Email: AATeixeira@mail.ifas.ufl.edu
Comments (from email, June 11, 2003): "I also happen to be (a)...'Thermal Process Authority', and have provided consulting assistance as such to a number of low-acid and acidified canned food processors in Florida, as well as nationally and internationally."

Van Ells, James
887 Sturbridge Drive
Evans GA 30809
Tel: 706-860-5727
Fax: 706-860-4121
Cell: 706-799-0930
Comment, "I have served as a process authority for Crider, Inc. for 6 years and now help teach Better Process Control Schools at the University of Georgia."