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AGENDA

Section A <u>Information and/or discussion</u>

A.01 Discussion and possible endorsement of Guidelines for Good Hygiene Practice on Bottled Water Coolers (PHS)

The Guide covers the general hygiene requirements for bottled watercooler companies. The document includes the description of the operational procedures of all the steps involved, from water extraction to distribution, including service and maintenance of watercoolers.

A.02 Presentation and possible endorsement of the revised EURL guidance document on sampling the food processing area and equipment for the detection of *Listeria monocytogenes* (MP)

The revised guide updates certain provisions in order to reflect changes introduced in 2018 in the ISO norm 18593 on horizontal methods for surface sampling.

Section B <u>Draft(s) presented for an opinion</u>

B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1375 as regards certain reporting requirements for Member States derogated from the testing in slaughterhouses for Trichinella in meat and carcasses of domestic (KDS)

The purpose of this initiative is to remove the reporting requirement in Article 3(4) of Regulation (EU) 2015/1375 for countries applying derogation from Trichinella testing (BE, DK, FI, IT and (UK(NI). This reporting is considered burdensome and unnecessary taking into account the reporting requirements on zoonoses in accordance with Article 9(3) of Directive 2003/99/EC.

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Legal Basis: Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council - Article 18(8)(a)

Procedure: Examination procedure