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Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP)

All Kerry Inc. manufacturing facilities, co-packing operations, and all suppliers providing raw materials to Kerry plants have an active GMP Training and Compliance Program, as required by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Each plant provides clear and specific rules for proper attire and performance within its various working areas.

These rules are made to conform to all existing Federal and State Laws and Regulations.

All employees are trained on Corporate Personnel Policies and Good Manufacturing Practices. Refresher training and documented proficiency testing is conducted annually. Personnel standards and procedures include proper product handling techniques and product protection principles which identify the dangers of poor personal hygiene and unsanitary practices.

Building standards, both exterior and interior, are established and considered of primary importance in preventing contamination and providing a safe, pleasant work environment. Effective written cleaning and sanitation procedures are maintained. Procedures are in place to ensure maintenance activities are performed in a manner to avoid contamination of processing equipment, packaging materials and food.

Incoming materials inspection is conducted to identify and eliminate foreign objects and pest contamination in materials and provide adequate protection to materials. Storage of ingredients and finished products is done so that contamination will not occur, and proper rotation is maintained. Additionally, an adequate control and tracking system is in place as a last safeguard.

Processing and production records contain sufficient information to permit a public health evaluation of the processed food. Distribution records are maintained to identify the initial distribution of the product. Additional records are maintained to permit the identification and segregation of product in the event of a recall. These records are retained for two years.

It is Kerry Inc.’s corporate policy to not send site-specific GMP plans to external parties as they are routinely reviewed, updated, and may contain proprietary information. Such plans are available to be reviewed on-site by a customer's auditor.