

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Food Safety Practices and Costs under the Leafy Greens Marketing Agreement

Type of Report
(ERR, EIB, EB,
TB, SOR,)

ERR

Influential Scientific Information

Agency: Economic Research Service
USDA

Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of Review: This study investigates food safety practices and costs for 7 firms belonging to the California Leafy Greens Marketing Agreement (LGMA). All firms incorporated additional food safety practices into their food safety plans beyond LGMA requirements for their convenience, risk management needs, and/or buyer requests. Results have implications for understanding the impact of Food Safety Modernization Act.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: Panel Review Individual Reviewers

Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 02/23/16 End: 09/02/16 Completed: 09/02/16

Number of Reviewers: 3 or fewer 4 to 10 More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: Agency Designated Outside Organization

Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? Yes No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? Yes No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? Yes No

