

# Industries Eye on Prevention

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# Today's Topic

#### Pest Prevention!

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National Pest Management Association (NPMA Confederation of European Pest Management (CEPA)

- 3 rd Party Auditors
- Food Industry Consultants & PMP
- Food Industry Managers







# A Century Ago....



Soure: http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/WhatWeDo/History/Overviews/ucm056044.htmc

## The "teeth" of FDA's food safety law

 Prevention is not new, but Congress has given the FDA authority to use the criteria more broadly and

assertive

- Documentation review
- Product detention
- Recalls
- Import prohibition
- Injunctions
- Litigation / criminal prosecution







## What changed...and what has not

Inspection, Compliance, and Response

- From "<u>credible and verifiable information</u>" to "<u>reason to believe</u>"
  - The SAHCODHA threshold
    - Records are subject to review
    - Similar products will be suspect



## What changed...and what has not

#### From Reaction to Prevention

From 402(a)(3) to 402(a)(4)

- (3) A food <u>shall</u> be deemed to be adulterated if it consists in whole or in part of any filthy, putrid, or decomposed substance, or it is otherwise unfit for food.
- (4) A food <u>shall</u> be deemed adulterated if it has been prepared, packed, or held <u>under insanitary conditions</u> <u>whereby it may</u> have become contaminated or whereby it may have been rendered injurious to health.



## "May" explained...

- § 117.37 Sanitary facilities and controls
  - Pest control. Pests must not be allowed in any area of a food plant. Effective measures must be taken to exclude pests from the manufacturing, processing, packing, and holding areas and to protect against the contamination of food on the premises by pests.

So, what are effective measures?



## So, where are we?

Top IPM Findings			
	IN	S	U
Standard	%	%	%
Pest habitat	12.28	43.06	34.78
Interior rodent monitoring devices	11.92	-	7.25
Pesticide application documentation	-	13.89	-
Pesticide control	-	5.56	26.09
Facility assessment	7.65	-	-
Bird Control	5.69	5.56	8.70
Signed contracts	6.76	-	-
IPM program	-	5.56	-



IN = Improvement Needed

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S = Serious

U = Unsatisfactory

Out of total Findings August 1, 2015-July 31, 2016

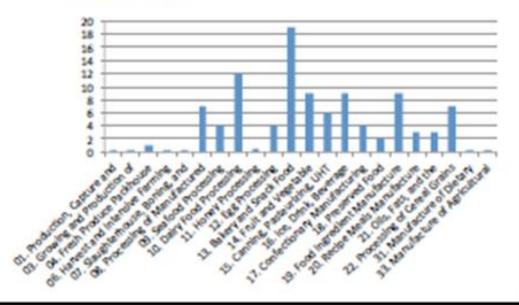






Non-conformance evidence:

- Gaps with dock doors and access doors
- Doors left open
- o Screens missing in doors and exhaust fans
- Missing and/or damaged seals
- Fly activity
- Lack of pest control devices in key areas
- Harborage areas in the exterior
- Damaged pest stations
- No annual review of the full program
- Evidence of activity



#### One Goal



#### Focus on the Risk

 Follow the intent behind the Code requirements.
 Focus on improving the food safety system, not just meeting the Code requirements.

#### Prevention vs. Reaction

 Identify the prevention strategies to prevent pest activity. Doors, seals, screens, etc. are to be in place and maintained.

#### Unpredictability

 Change up the habit for different results. Challenge the program by including different people, sites, or times.

#### Collaboration

Work with industry to identify best practices.
 Create training, informational webinars to share with sites and auditors.

#### ONE GOAL:

- Pest free facilities
- Safer supply chain



Slide courtesy of LeAnn Chuboff, SQFI

## Rodent Management



From John Simmons
Acheta Consulting LTD – UK

### At each location we placed:

- A plastic bait station with non-toxic paste bait
- A cardboard bait station with non-toxic paste bait
- A plastic trapping station containing a break-back trap baited with a commercial rodent 'attractant' (Provoke)
  - A GTO detector, on upturned guttering, with non-toxic bait and UV tracking dust underneath





Source: Dr. John Simmons Acheta Consuting LTD, UK



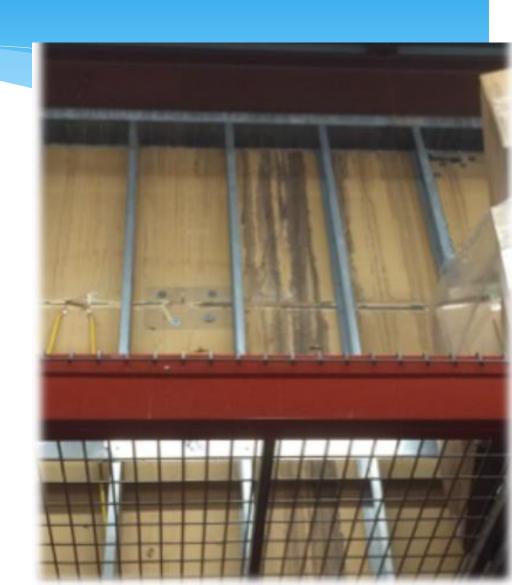
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# Food Industry Input

# Documentation of Pest Issues

- Roof Rats
- Be Tenacious
- Don't be happy with a checkbox approach.
- Would someone 1000 miles away understand what was written.
- Bubble up to person who can make changes
- Collaborate w/ site management



# Food Industry Input

What we want in our PMP Providers....

- Be thorough in your investigation and aggressive in your approach
- \* Amount of tenacity
- \* Good communication
- \* First time fix
- \* Work orders closed

## Discussion

\* How does your facility deal with repeat issues??

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# Any Questions???

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