



FSIS Notice 65-07 Applicability to Retail Exempt Operations

Question:

If a federal establishment produces a limited amount of beef trimmings during the process of cutting steaks and roasts under inspection, would that establishment be allowed to produce ground beef from those trimmings in their retail store without addressing the issues raised in FSIS Notice 65-07?

Answer:

No, even though products produced under the retail exemption are not the focus of FSIS Notice 65-07, all products entering the retail facility are required to be inspected and passed. Since the beef trimmings that result from the steak cutting operation at this establishment are produced under inspection, the supplying establishment is expected to address the issues raised in FSIS Notice 65-07 for the HACCP plan associated with the trimmings. The ground beef produced under the retail exemption, from the inspected and passed trimmings, is not subject to FSIS Notice 65-07.

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