

November 18, 2020 To: Cargill Customers Re: GFSI Audit Extensions

**Dear Valued Customer** 

Cargill Protein, in alignment with guidance published by Global Food Safety Initiative, has requested certification audit extensions where onsite assessments of our facilities were not possible due to travel restrictions and social distancing. Both BRCGS and FSSC 22000 have made provisions to extend audit windows up to 6 months under the global COVID-19 circumstances. As such, Cargill used this opportunity to further enhance our biosecurity programs by rescheduling audits thereby ensuring the safety of our employees and continued operation at our facilities.

During this time, most of Cargill Protein locations 3<sup>rd</sup> party audits have been conducted. Once we receive the audit certificate and report back from our auditing agency, our website will be updated with the current audit certificate. The following locations have yet to be audited and have been extended per the below tentative schedule"

Est 86A Columbia – Jan 5-6, 2021 Est. 700 London – before March 31, 2021

As the extensions have been granted, the respective scheme directory has been updated to reflect the adjusted audit window and new certificates issued (see links below). Cargill will provide new tentative audit dates on our website (link below) for the 2021 calendar year.

While, Animal Welfare audits and other addendums do not have expiration dates, Cargill normally conducts these on an annual basis. Locations whose GFSI audits have been postponed will conduct their Animal Welfare audits and other addendums as soon as possible.

Cargill's Food Safety Website: <a href="https://www.cargill.com/meat-poultry/meat-food-safety-letters">https://www.cargill.com/meat-poultry/meat-food-safety-letters</a>

BRC's G Directory: https://brcdirectory.co.uk/

FSSC 22K's Directory: https://www.fssc22000.com/certified-organizations/

Cargill will continue to strive for excellence in providing our customers with high-quality product manufactured under strict food safety standards. For additional information and/or updates please visit our website: <a href="https://www.cargill.com/meat-poultry/meat-food-safety">https://www.cargill.com/meat-poultry/meat-food-safety</a>. However should you have any specific questions please contact us <a href="mailto:Techsvs\_Requests@cargill.com">Techsvs\_Requests@cargill.com</a>. As a valued customer, we appreciate your partnership and are pleased to help meet your needs.

Sincerely,

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