

Quarterly *E. coli* O157:H7 Check Samples – 3rd Quarter



Issue Date: October 2026

Product Category(s): Animal Protein

Region: North America

Manufacturing Location: Multiple

Dear Valued Customer,

Thank you for your request for information on our N=60 verification program. Cargill Meat Solutions, dba Cargill Protein Group (hereinafter “Cargill”) has a weekly *E. coli* O157:H7 verification sample program in place to ensure our N=60 sampling and testing programs are working as designed. To verify our programs, product that has tested negative is sampled and tested.

Cargill is reporting verification test results of ground beef components at its facilities during the third quarter of 2026. Products were sampled and tested each week for *E. coli* O157:H7 and STEC 6. Results were below detection levels for *E. coli* O157:H7 and STEC 6. Cargill utilizes BioControl GDS test methods. The following facilities completed testing on these dates:

- 86E – Friona, TX – 07/08/2026, 08/10/2026, 09/11/2026
- 86K – Dodge City, KS – 07/07/2026, 08/12/2026, 09/09/2026
- 86M – Schuyler, NE – 07/31/2026, 08/06/2026, 09/21/2026
- 86R – Fort Morgan, CO – No July, August, September production
- 93 – High River, AB Canada – 07/22/2026, 08/19/2026, 09/23/2026
- 9400 – Wyalusing, PA – 07/15/2026, 08/04/2026, 09/21/2026
- 51 – Guelph, ON Canada – 07/09/2026, 08/26/2026, 09/17/2026

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

Sincerely,

Jill Tabatt
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