

Idaho State Department of Agriculture
02.04.03 Rules Governing Grade A and Manufacture Grade Milk
September 16, 2019, 1:00 p.m.
Dr. Scott Leibsle, Facilitator

Present: Bob Naerebout, Idaho Dairymen's Association; Marv Patten, Milk Producers of Idaho; Colby Cameron, Idaho Division of Financial Management; Katy DeVries, Office of Attorney General – ISDA; Dr. Bill Barton, ISDA; Brian Oakey, ISDA; Dr. Scott Leibsle, ISDA; Janis Perry, ISDA.

AGENDA ITEMS

WELCOME

Dr. Scott Leibsle convened the meeting at 1:05 p.m. Brian Oakey explained that the department's efforts have focused on combining chapters that are similarly regulated, and eliminated redundancy and internally facing regulatory words. The rule is open for comment until September 20. Dr. Leibsle indicated that the purpose was to not make substantive changes, but they can be made next year.

Marv Patten asked what criteria was used in making the changes. Brian Oakey clarified that certain definitions that occur in statute were removed from the rule. If the Incorporation by Reference sections were repetitive, they were included only once. The legal authority was updated and subchapters defined the separate parts of the rule. Marv commented that he felt that nothing was simplified and that the process had not made anything easier. Bob Naerebout asked if the goal was not to simplify or increase understanding, but simply to eliminate words. Brian Oakey responded that the agency could not afford to change the definition of a word. Scott Leibsle stated that the regulatory impact should not change by combining rules.

Scott Leibsle pointed out the changes to the combined rule to the group.

Scott Leibsle adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Janis Perry.