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Re: Food Fraud & Vulnerability Assessment

Thank you for your inquiry regarding food fraud and related issues that may include economically motivated and vulnerability assessment. Ardent Mills reviews these areas in different processes appropriate to the risk. Fraud in food and economically motivated incidents are reviewed as part of our annual risk assessment.

For our flour mills, we have a limited number of suppliers. Wheat is a primary ingredient, and this commodity is inspected and graded to meet Federal Grain Inspection requirements. This inspection is conducted with internal review of inbound wheat prior to accepting the loads for deliver. The enrichment and packaging suppliers conduct risk appropriate reviews of their suppliers and updates Ardent Mills, as appropriate.

All other Ardent Mills locations, review of Food Fraud is conducted as part of the Supplier Approval Process & facility Food Safety Plan Hazard assessment in the chemical hazard category.

For our organic certified locations, each facility maintains an Organic Fraud Prevention Plan in addition to procedures described above.

Our facilities conduct vulnerability assessments and review of mitigation actions that are managed with the Ardent Mills Environmental Health & Safety Team assigned to each facility. This information is reviewed by the facility management team and follow up actions take place, as needed. We continue to review the FSMA requirements to Intentional Adulteration.

Sincerely,

Ardent Mills Regulatory Team

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