MEMORANDUM

TO: Technical Committee of the Council of Public Health Consultants
Bob Powitz, Steve Tackitt, Doug Park

FROM: Mike Halko, TC Chair

DATE: March 19, 2008

SUBJECT: Proposed revisions NSF/ANSI 4 – Commercial cooking, rethermalization, and powered hot food holding and transport equipment (4i14r3)

On behalf of Mr. Hermann Rabe, Issue Proponent, Draft 3 of NSF/ANSI 4 issue 14 is being forwarded to the Technical Committee for ballot. Please review the proposal and return your ballot by the ballot due date of April 9, 2008 via the NSF On-line Workspace.

Purpose

The purpose of this ballot is to update the requirement for hollow sections of dry heat oven doors in 5.9.5.1.

Background

In Standard 4 Item 5.9.5.1 is written the requirement “Hollow sections of door gaskets shall be sealed.” The silicone door gasket of an oven needs for pressure balancing openings to the hollow sections of the gasket. If there are no openings the gasket will impact or burst or split by change of temperatures.

Issues

Mr. Jim Brady cast a negative ballot regarding the proposed language including microwave ovens. Due to the temperature differential being different in microwave ovens, language was be proposed to require opening to door gasket hollow sections of microwave ovens to be sealed. For further information on Mr. Brady’s negative ballot, see supporting documents.

Joint Committee Ballot Results:

Total Joint Committee ballots sent: 31
Total returned: 23
% Joint Committee ballots returned: 74%
Affirmative votes: 22
Negative votes: 1
Abstentions: 0
% affirmative of total ballots sent: 96%
% affirmative of total affirmative + negative ballots: 100%
Public Health Impact

Adoption of this proposal will have no impact on public health.

If you have any questions about the technical content of the ballot, you may contact me in care of:

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