

**Supplemental Questionnaire on Melon– Multistate Cluster of Listeriosis**

Laboratory ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Interviewer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview: \_\_\_\_\_

I'd like to ask you about melons that you ate between \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ (date 4 weeks before onset) through \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ (date of onset). It may be useful to take out a calendar to help with dates and days of the week.

1. Would you be willing to release your shopper card information to us in order to get an exact product list of your foods and the dates they were purchased?

- Yes       No       Maybe       None available

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2. Would you be willing to allow us to do a home visit of your kitchen and perhaps take some foods to test?

- Yes       No       Maybe

3. Since you mentioned eating melon, which type of melon fruit did you purchase?  
*(please fill out one questionnaire per melon type)*

- \_\_\_ Cantaloupe  
\_\_\_ Watermelon  
\_\_\_ Honeydew  
\_\_\_ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Brand of melon: \_\_\_\_\_

(\*Brands are often located on a little sticker that is on the melon.)

Where was it purchased: \_\_\_\_\_

When was it purchased: \_\_\_\_\_

When was it eaten: \_\_\_\_\_

4. When bringing home your melon, and before eating it, where was it stored?

- \_\_\_ Refrigerator  
\_\_\_ Kitchen counter

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\_\_\_ Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

5. How many days do you store your melon before first eating it?

\_\_\_ None, eat it right away

\_\_\_ 1-2 days

\_\_\_ 3-4 days

\_\_\_ 5-6 days

\_\_\_ 7 days or more

6. At the time of purchase, how was the melon prepared?

\_\_\_ Whole

\_\_\_ Sliced in half w/rind on

\_\_\_ Sliced in half w/rind off

\_\_\_ Sliced in quarters w/rind on

\_\_\_ Sliced in quarters w/rind off

\_\_\_ Cut in chunks and packaged in a container

\_\_\_ Cut and mixed with other types of fruit (e.g. fruit salad)

\_\_\_ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

7. **If melon was purchased precut**, what kind of container was the pre-cut melon packaged in?

\_\_\_ Plastic container/tub

\_\_\_ Styrofoam tray

\_\_\_ Plastic wrap

\_\_\_ Not applicable/Not purchased precut

8. If melon was purchased as a **whole or half** melon, do you normally wash the outside before cutting into the fruit?

\_\_\_ Yes

\_\_\_ No (skip to Q10)

9. When washing melons, would you say that you normally:

\_\_\_ Scrub the outside of the melon (with wash cloth, sponge, or hand) with **water and soap**

a. How long do you wash the melon under water?

\_\_\_ less than 5 seconds

\_\_\_ 5-10 seconds

\_\_\_ more than 10 seconds

\_\_\_ Scrub the outside of the melon (with wash cloth, sponge, or hand) with **water only**

\_\_\_ less than 5 seconds

\_\_\_ 5-10 seconds

\_\_\_ more than 10 seconds

\_\_\_ Only rinse it under water (no scrubbing)

\_\_\_ less than 5 seconds

\_\_\_ 5-10 seconds

\_\_\_ more than 10 seconds

\_\_\_ Use a type of fruit/vegetable rinse

\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

10. When cutting **whole or half** melons, do you cut the rind off completely or leave it on?
- Cut the rind off completely
  - Leave the rind on and eat the fruit (with hands or with utensils)
  - Varies
11. When cutting **whole or half** melons, do you cut up the entire melon at one time (even if you save some for later), or cut just part of the melon?
- Cut up the entire melon at one time, even if I don't eat it all at once
  - Cut up only part of the melon (what you are going to eat at that time)
  - Varies
- a. When cutting the entire whole/half melon and planning to save some, do you cut all of the rind off before storing it, or leave the rind on when storing the remainder?
- Cut off the entire rind before storing it
  - Leave the rind on when storing it
  - Varies
12. If you cut up the entire whole/half melon and save pieces to eat at a different time, how do you store the remaining pieces?
- The bag the melon was purchased in
  - Tupperware container
  - Zip lock plastic bag
  - Bowl/plate
    - covered
    - uncovered
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
13. Where do you store the remaining melon?
- Refrigerator
  - Unrefrigerated (kitchen counter, pantry, etc.)
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
14. How long do you normally store the leftover melon before you finish eating the remainder?
- 1-2 days
  - 3-4 days
  - 5-6 days
  - 7 days or more

15. Did you use this melon to make juice (by using a type of juicer)?

- Yes (go to 15a)
- No (go to 16)

a. Did you place the fruit in the juicer with the rind attached?

- Yes
- No

16. When you eat melon, what other foods do you typically eat with the melon? (e.g. cottage cheese, prosciutto, other fruits): \_\_\_\_\_

17. Did you eat any melon that someone else had purchased?

- Yes (go to 17a)
- No

a. How was the melon prepared when you ate it?

- Whole
- Sliced in half w/rind on
- Sliced in half w/rind off
- Sliced in quarters w/rind on
- Sliced in quarters w/rind off
- Cut in chunks and packaged in a container
- Cut into chunks by the person who prepared it
- Cut and mixed with other types of fruit (e.g. fruit salad)
- Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- Don't remember

b. Can we contact that person to ask them where they purchased the melon, and the same questions we just asked you?

- Yes
  - Contact's name: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Contact's relationship: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Contact's number: \_\_\_\_\_
- No

18. Do you have any leftover melon remaining at your house?

- Yes
- No

a. If yes, could we take this food for testing?

- Yes

\_\_\_No

Any other comments regarding melons: \_\_\_\_\_

19.

Yes	Maybe	No	Don't Know	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you heard that there was a recall of cantaloupe? <b>IF NO, END INTERVIEW</b>
				How did you first hear about the cantaloupe recall? ( <i>check one only</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> Television <input type="checkbox"/> Internet news outlet <input type="checkbox"/> Blog <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper or magazine <input type="checkbox"/> Radio <input type="checkbox"/> Family or friends <input type="checkbox"/> Health care provider <input type="checkbox"/> Sign in store or restaurant <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
				Did hearing this announcement affect your cantaloupe consumption? ( <i>Check all that apply.</i> ) <input type="checkbox"/> Continued eating cantaloupe <input type="checkbox"/> Stopped eating Rocky Ford cantaloupe <input type="checkbox"/> Returned cantaloupe to the grocery store <input type="checkbox"/> Stopped eating Jensen Farms cantaloupe <input type="checkbox"/> Stopped eating all cantaloupe <input type="checkbox"/> Stopped purchasing Rocky Ford cantaloupe <input type="checkbox"/> Stopped purchasing all cantaloupe <input type="checkbox"/> Stopped purchasing Jensen Farms cantaloupe <input type="checkbox"/> Threw away cantaloupe in my home <input type="checkbox"/> Changed washing/fruit handling practices <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaned out refrigerator or kitchen surfaces <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

Thank you for your time!