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Mr. John Bindeman, Supervisor Bureau of General Services Combined Montgomery County Health Dept. Dayton, Ohio

Dear Mr. Bindeman:

The Ohio Public Health Council recently made some modifications in Ohio's Food Service Regulations. Because of this, we are presently in the process of reprinting our official publication "Food Service Operation Law, Regulations, and Interpretive Guide". We expect this revised booklet to be available within the next month or two.

I am enclosing a copy of our existing booklet which does not contain the recent Public Health Council changes. I hope it will be of value to you.

The Council changes which are being added to the booklet are as follows:

Regulation HE-21-04-C --- <u>Lighting</u> now reads "Working surfaces where food is prepared and where utensils are washed shall be illuminated by a minimum of forty-foot candles of light; provided, when in the opinion of the health commissioner or director, light over bar sinks may cause an occupational hazard because of excessive glare the light intensity may be reduced to twenty-foot candles".

Regulation HE-21-04-N --- Hair Control now reads "All employees shall wear their hair, natural or artificial, clean and neat and under control at all times so that":

- (1) There shall be no undue handling of hair;
- (2) Hair shall not come into contact with food or food contact surfaces;
- (3) Loose hair shall be prevented from falling into food or on food contact surfaces.

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Old Regulation HE-21-04-N --- Miscellaneous has been renumbered to Regulation HE-21-04-O.

Regulation HE-21-06 --- Health of Employees now reads:

A. Responsibility

- (1) No person affected with a disease in a communicable form, or who is a carrier of a communicable disease shall work in any food service operation.
- (2) No operator shall employ any person knowing him to be suspected of having or knowing him to be a carrier of communicable disease.
- B. When the health commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that a danger of transmission of infection from any food service operation employee exists, the health commissioner is authorized to require any or all of the following measures:
 - (1) The immediate exclusion of the employee from employment in all food service operations;
 - (2) The suspension of the food service operation license in accordance with the provisions of section 3732.07 of the Revised Code, until no further danger of disease outbreak exists, in the opinion of the health commissioner;
 - (3) Adequate medical examination of the employee and of his associates, with such laboratory examinations as may be required by the health commissioner.

As soon as the reprints are available we shall see that you receive an immediate copy.

Sincerely,

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