

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Division of Shellfish Sanitation Staff

THROUGH: Eric H. Bartsch, P.E., Director
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SUBJECT: Shellfish-Crustacea Plant Equipment

The Division of Shellfish Sanitation is often asked, as a result of planning with dealers, to recommend sizes for various necessary equipment required for shellfish -crustacea plants. This is a natural response on the part of dealers looking for as much help and guidance as they can get. They may ask for specifics beyond which the Division has expertise. Therefore, to avoid possible problems and to maintain good industry working relationships, Division staff shall avoid making recommendations for size or other specifics for which there is not adequate training or expertise. Obviously this does not include specific manual requirements such as number of sinks, toilets, etc. or the making of recommendations on items or issues on which training has been received.

Accordingly, all Division personnel involved with plant construction and equipment shall recommend to prospective or established dealers that they talk with their electrician, refrigeration, heating and air conditioning specialist or manufacturer on the purchase of such equipment. It is permissible to refer them to plants of like size for comparison and familiarization as to what they envision. In no instances are Division personnel to recommend sizes for electrical power service, tons of refrigeration for air conditioning, refrigeration rooms, or ice machines (except for ice machines used by custom dealers), boiler horsepower for cooking crabs, heating plants, pasteurization or sterilization of equipment. The only recommendation that is to be made in regard to the above is that the equipment should be sized to perform all required functions simultaneously. The actual sizing must be left with the engineer or supplier.

The above is established as policy effective immediately.

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