2018-2019 AFDO COMMITTEE CHARGES

Laboratory, Science & Technology Committee

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**Charge 1:** Serve as AFDO liaison with APHL and provide AFDO’s Board of Directors with a list of relevant activities of mutual interest.

**Charge 2:** Work with AFDO Staff to meet MFRPA Cooperative Agreement deliverables as they relate to the laboratory regulatory community to ensure networking and community between those laboratories, Manufactured Food Regulatory Program Alliance members and other food programs. Work will include support for the MFRPS-Laboratory Sampling Committee, support for a Laboratory Accreditation meeting for laboratories working under the MFRPA, support for unfunded laboratories to attend such a meeting, updating of Topical Index, Subject Matter Experts list, and MFRPA portal resources.

**Charge 3:** Provide a committee structure environment and encourage involvement from laboratory managers to assist in technical guidance solutions, in sharing best practices, and liaison with APHL’s Food/Feed Subcommittee.

**Charge 4:** Continue with the structured process to recommend changes to the Program Standard 10 (MFRPS).

**Charge 5:** Feedback and participate in discussions and activities related to the sustainability of regulatory food/feed laboratory accreditation to the ISO/IEC 17025 standard.

**Charge 6:** Sampling – supporting GOOD Samples and GOOD Test Portions.

**Charge 7:** Whole Genome Sequencing- providing educational forum on its use to support food safety

*Responsible for submission of reports*