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**REQUEST FORM****CULTURE REFERRAL (ISOLATES FROM MEAT & MEAT PRODUCTS)****For MDU Use only**

Delivery No.

COC No.

Request Form No.

MDU Nos

**Referring authority/address for report**

Name (First name, Surname) ..... Organisation .....

Address .....

Postcode ..... Phone No. .... Fax No. ....

**Copy to:** (AQIS On Plant supervisor must be notified if culture confirms as *E.coli* O157 stx positive or *E.coli* non-O157 eae, stx positive)

Name (First name, Surname) ..... (Organisation) .....

Address .....

Postcode ..... Phone no. .... Fax no. ....

**Submitter (if not as above)**

Name (First name, Surname) ..... Organisation ..... Phone no. ....

**Request – Service(s) and Test(s) <sup>1, 2</sup>**

- Sample for AQIS Program
- E. coli* O157 isolation Service (indicate screening method and result in ‘Samples submitted’)**  
 *E. coli* O157 isolation from broth (Isolation test)
- E. coli* O157 characterisation Service**  
 *E. coli* biochemical identification of a pure culture (ID test)  
 *E. coli* O157 identification of a pure culture (serotyping test)  
 *E. coli* O157 stx gene detection in a pure culture (toxin gene test)
- E. coli* non-O157 isolation Service (indicate screening method and result in ‘Samples submitted’)**  
 *E. coli* non-O157 isolation from broth (Isolation test)
- E. coli* non-O157 characterisation Service**  
 *E. coli* biochemical identification of a pure culture (ID test)  
 *E. coli* non-O157 serogroup identification of a pure culture (serotyping test)  
 *E. coli* non-O157 stx & eae gene detection in a pure culture (toxin gene test)
- Salmonella* isolation Service**
- Salmonella* characterisation (identification and typing) Service**
- Listeria* isolation Service**
- Listeria* characterisation (identification) Service**

**(Please complete Specimen details on the next page)****Requestor**

Name (First name, Surname) ..... Signature ..... Date .....

(1) Fresh (&lt;24 hrs at receipt by MDU) pure culture on non selective medium is best

(2) Mark all boxes which apply.

(3) Y for AQIS verification sample. N for other AQIS sample

NB all “*E.coli* O157 and non-O157 confirmed isolates” from “AQIS verification samples” will be retained for possible further AQIS directed test and report.

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Does Chain of Custody apply to this request?  Yes  No (If Yes, FM979 attached?)  Yes  No  
 Does 'Sealing' Apply?  Yes  No (If Yes, FM1718 attached?)  Yes  No

**Sample(s) submitted**

No.	MDU No. (MDU Use only)	Details of Original Sample from which this culture was isolated eg Beef Trim Batch XXX And Test Screen Method and Result	AQIS Verification sample <sup>3</sup> (Y/N)	Referring Lab Number	Culture type (Broth/Isolate)
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