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TO: All Local Health Departments (LHD's)
Attn: Medical Director / Health Officer / Director of Environmental Health
Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA)
Attn: Food and Dairy Division Managers

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Food Safety Education Grants

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SUBJECT: 2010 Grants Awarded Through the Consumer and Industry
Food Safety Education Fund

The Michigan Food Law of 2000 created two funds to be used for food safety education. Three dollars per food license is collected for consumer education and two dollars per food license is collected for industry education. The Food Safety and Education Workgroup (consisting of members from academia, community, industry, and regulatory groups) evaluated all grant applications. Although MDA is responsible for making the final decision, the committee offered advice and input on the grant proposals.

Twenty grant applications were received, totaling requests of \$491,753.10. MDA wishes to thank all of these applicants, and congratulate the recipients. **Eleven grants were awarded in 2010 totaling \$205,000.00.** The grant amounts ranged from \$1,930.00 to \$69,096.00.

2010 CONSUMER AND INDUSTRY FOOD SAFETY EDUCATION FUND GRANTS:

The Rapid Cooling Resource Guide (Monroe County Health Department):

Produce a Rapid Cooling Resource Guide to provide to restaurants (available electronically (statewide) and by hard copy.

Food Safety Training, Education and Needs Assessment for Direct Market Farmers (Michigan Food and Farming Systems):

Conduct a food safety needs assessment of direct market farmers and develop a food safety curriculum and materials.

School Nutrition Personnel Food Safety Training -Transitioning to Web-Based Training (School Nutrition Association of Michigan):

Develop electronic course for food safety training to school nutritional professionals. This course will substitute for the current 10 hour "Sanitation and Food Safety" course currently

offered, providing an economical option to provide necessary training under the current budget restraints.

Food Safety Resource Library for Regulators and Licensed Food Establishments (Michigan Restaurant Association):

Develop a website and resource library of food safety materials for use by trainers, regulators, and establishments.

Standard Operating Procedure Software (Kalamazoo County Health and Community Services):

Create software to assist in the creation of standard operating procedures (SOPs).

Scholarships for MSU Food Labeling Workshop (MSU Institute for Food Laws & Regulations):

Provide 10 scholarships to Michigan residents who would otherwise be unable to attend the Food Labeling Course at MSU in the summer of 2010.

Training Seminar and Materials for Non-Licensed / Non-Profit Organizations (Midland County Department of Public Health):

Increase food safety awareness for community organizations by providing training seminars in April and October 2010; and distribution of 150 food safety kits.

Food Safety Tool Kit for High Risk Populations of Saginaw County (Saginaw County Department of Public Health):

Increase awareness of foodborne illness prevention by providing education and toolkits to vulnerable populations (senior citizens and WIC clients).

Training Scholarship Fund - 2010 Milk Safety Training and Education Grant (Michigan Dairy Industry Conference):

Provide training and professional growth opportunities to Michigan's dairy industry and regulatory personnel.

Training and Scholarship Fund - GLCFP Training and Scholarship Fund (Great Lakes Conference on Food Protection)

Training and scholarship funds will be used to provide training opportunities for state and local food safety regulatory staff.

Membership Training Opportunity Fund (Michigan Environmental Health Association)

MEHA Membership training fund designated to attract national caliber speakers to the 2011 AEC Conference, and support affiliate training during 2010.

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