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FOOD SAFETY PLAN: PEST CONTROL STATEMENT

Exclusion of pests using safe and effective procedures is a core component of Edison Mercantile's cGMPs. We strive for a results-oriented approach to pest management based on pest trends, inspection observations, and professional guidance. We comply with state and federal government regulations, as well as the requirements of our organic certifying agency, Organic Certifier governing pest management, safety, and food protection.

In accordance with the National Organic Program, Edison Mercantile does not use any pesticides, but rather employs non-chemical measures to control pests by:

- o Removing pest habitat, food sources and breeding areas both inside and outside our facility.
- Preventing pest access to our facility.
- Managing environmental factors to prevent pest reproduction.
- Placing Tin Cats with glue boards every 30 feet along the perimeter of warehouse and production areas.
- Using pheromone and pheromone traps as part of the monitoring and management processes.
- Installing insect light traps (ILTs) to monitor and manage certain flying insects such as the Indian meal moths, fruit flies, etc., with placement in compliance with regulatory requirements.
- o Installing bird nets at each receiving dock door; and
- Properly managing all pest control devices.

Mitigated & Elimination of Storage Product Infestation

Use of Modified Atmospheric Packaging (MAP) is available as a Toll Processing service. This method of packaging is a bio-based substitute for pest control to kills insects. Additional benefits include reductions in mold formation, degradation, and oxidation of the product. Storing commodities with MAP technology helps preserve optimal moisture content, aromas, and flavor. MAP is approved for use under the OMIR as a solution for the protection and storage of many commodities.

Edison Mercantile contracts with a licensed and insured third party pest control service provider for inspection and maintenance of pest control devices. Monthly professional inspections are supported by in-house weekly checks of all interior traps. Damaged traps are replaced or repaired immediately. Dirty traps are cleaned. Glue boards are replaced every 90 days or as needed. Pesticides are prohibited. Any uncommon observations are reported in monthly monitoring reports. Records are established and maintained to satisfy the necessary requirements.

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Owner

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