Food Safety and Inspection Service Washington, D.C. 20250

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Mr. Daniel Dantin Span-World Distribution P. O. Box 725 LaPlace, LA 70069-0725

Dear Mr. Dantin:

Subject: Unexposed Insulation Materials

The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), Facilities, Equipment and Sanitation Division (FESD) does not review or issue letters of approval for <u>unexposed</u> insulation materials. A letter of approval or acceptance is not required to be furnished to the FSIS inspector for the use of unexposed insulation materials in federally inspected meat and poultry establishments. However, they must meet the following requirements prior to their use in federally inspected meat or poultry establishments:

- The unexposed insulation material must be installed and maintained in a sanitary manner acceptable to the FSIS inspector in charge,
- 2. The FSIS inspector in charge must be notified prior to installation of the unexposed insulation material as to the time and place the unexposed insulation material will be installed.

Please be advised that the improper installation of your product which results in the contamination of meat and/or poultry products will result in appropriate action by FSIS. Furthermore, this letter does not imply compliance with Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Standards.

Sincerely,

Karen M. Wesson, D

Director
Facilities, Equipment and

Sanitation Division