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RE: Approval of a Level 2 Modification (matrix extension) for the BAX® System PCR Assay for Screening *E. coli* O157:H7 MP, AOAC-RI *Performance Tested Method*SM #050501 for the detection of *Escherichia coli* O157:H7 in spinach and lettuce.

Dear Dr. Peng:

Congratulations! The BAX® System PCR Assay for Screening *E. coli* O157:H7 MP (PTM#050501) has been *Performance Tested Methods*SM certified for the detection of *E. coli* O157:H7 in spinach and lettuce. The data from this evaluation demonstrated equivalent performance of the BAX method with the performance of the FDA reference method for the detection of *E. coli* O157:H7 in spinach and lettuce.

Sincerely,

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