

Non-substantive Change Request

0535-0001 – Cold Storage

Refrigerated Storage Capacity - October 2023

This non-substantive change request affects the screening questions for the October 2023 Refrigerated Storage Capacity Survey. The changes will provide a clearer flow for the various types of respondents.

These changes will not impact the current sampling methodology, sample size or respondent burden.

The revised Refrigerated Storage Capacity questionnaire is loaded to ROCIS.

The specific changes are listed below in item 2 and 2e:

Screening, Item 2 from

2. In 2023, did you manage the facility location listed on page one?

029

1 Yes - Go to Item 3

3 No - Go to Item 2a

- a. Has the facility location been sold to or acquired by another firm?

030

1 Yes - Go to Items 2b and 2b.i.

3 No - Go to Item 2c

- b. Please provide to whom the facility was sold or the name of the company that acquired the facility:

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- i. Is this a name change only? ⁴⁰

1 Yes - Go to Item 3

3 No - Go to Item 2c

- c. Has this facility location been demolished?

026

1 Yes - Go to Item 6

3 No - Continue

- d. In 2023, was this facility location vacant?

027

1 Yes - Go to Item 6

3 No - Continue

- e. In 2023, was this facility location used for a purpose other than refrigerated storage space?

028

1 Yes - Go to Item 2e.i.

3 No - Go to Item 6

- i. Please specify what happened to the facility:

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To

2. Does the operation name on the label manage the facility location listed on page one? (If the operation name has changed, but ownership is the same, please answer Yes).

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b. Please provide to whom the facility was sold or the name of the company that acquired the facility:

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c. Has this facility location been demolished?

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1 Yes - Go to Item 6 3 No - Continue

d. In 2023, was this facility location vacant?

027

1 Yes - Go to Item 6 3 No - Continue

e. Has this facility location been repurposed for a use other than refrigerated storage space?

028

1 Yes - Go to Item 2e.i. 3 No - Go to Item 6

i. Please specify what happened to the facility:

41 - Go to Item 6

This previous phrasing “did you manage the facility location listed on page one” led to incorrect screenouts.

The survey population for the Refrigerated Storage Capacity Survey is all warehouses that store one of the 110 commodities in the Monthly Cold Storage and are artificially cooled to a temperature of 50 degrees Fahrenheit or lower where food products are placed and held for 30 days or more. These are typically businesses that have accountants, assistants, or secretaries that can provide the requested information when the facility manager is unable to respond.

To account for these potential employees that can provide the requested information, the phrasing “Does the operation name on the label manage the facility location listed on page one.” will be used.