

**Appendix D – IRB Determination  
Consumer Labeling Research Focus Groups**

## EXEMPT DETERMINATION

April 18, 2023

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Dear Sheryl Cates:

On 4/18/2023, the IRB reviewed the following submission:

Type of Review:	Initial Study
Title:	Consumer Labeling Research
Investigator:	Sheryl Cates
IRB ID:	STUDY00022430
Funding Source:	USDA FSIS
Customer/Client Name:	USDA FSIS
Project/Proposal Number:	0218827.000.005
Contract/Grant Number:	123A9422C0020
IND, IDE, or HDE:	None

The IRB determined that this study meets the criteria for exemption from IRB review under Category (2)(ii) Tests, surveys, interviews, or observation.

Ongoing IRB review and approval by this organization is not required. This determination applies only to the activities described in the IRB submission and may not apply should any changes be made. If changes are made and there are questions about whether these activities impact the exempt determination, you should contact the IRB to discuss whether a new submission and determination is necessary.

Sincerely,

The RTI Office of Research Protection