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esophagus, with or without the accompanying and overlying fat and the portions of sinews, nerves, and blood vessels which normally accompany the muscle tissue and which are not separated from it in the process of dressing.

(n) *Animal food mule meat by-product* means the part other than meat which has been derived from one or more mules that have been handled in accordance with §355.41 and is fit for use as animal food.

(o) *Bone* means the U.S. inspected and passed and so identified clean, wholesome bone which has been derived from cattle, sheep, swine, goats or horses, or bone derived from mules slaughtered and passed under Program inspection in accordance with §355.41.

(p) *Poultry* means any domesticated bird slaughtered in accordance with the Poultry Products Inspection Act, Public Law 85-172, 85th Congress, S. 1747, dated August 28, 1957 (21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.).

(q) *Poultry product* means any edible part of fresh poultry which have been slaughtered for human food and from which the blood, feathers, feet, head and viscera have been removed in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Agriculture.

(r) *Administrator*. The Administrator of the Food Safety and Inspection Service or any officer or employee of the Department to whom authority has heretofore been delegated or may hereafter be delegated to act in his stead.

(s) *Whale meat* means the muscle tissue of whales which is fit for use in animal food.

(t) *Fish* means the whole or part of any aquatic, water breathing vertebrates, commonly designated as fish, which is fit for use in animal food.

(u) *Animal food poultry byproduct* means any portion of carcasses of poultry slaughtered under inspection and passed in accordance with the Poultry Products Inspection Act which is fit for use in animal food.

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#### SCOPE OF INSPECTION SERVICE

#### § 355.3 Plants eligible for inspection.

Upon application, inspection may be granted at a plant where products are to be prepared, when the Administrator has determined that the application conforms to and the plant meets with the requirements of this part.

#### APPLICATION FOR INSPECTION, CERTIFICATION, AND IDENTIFICATION

#### § 355.4 Application.

The owner or operator of any plant of the kind specified in §355.3 may apply to the Administrator for inspection, certification, and identification. In cases of change of ownership or change of location, new applications shall be made.

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#### § 355.5 Drawings.

Triplicate copies of complete drawings with specifications, consisting of floor plans showing the locations of such features as the principal pieces of equipment, floor drains, principal drainage lines, hand-washing basins, and hose connections for cleanup purposes; elevations; roof plans when necessary to show size and location of skylights and the like; cross and longitudinal sections of the various buildings, showing such features as principal pieces of equipment, heights of ceilings, conveyor rails, and character of floors, walls, and ceilings; and a plot plan showing relationship of various departments and structures of the plants, properly drawn to scale, shall accompany applications. Where complete approved drawings and specifications are available in the files of the Meat and Poultry Inspection Program, Food Safety and Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, covering a plant operating under the supervision of that Program, it will not be necessary that drawings and specifications accompany an application

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made under this part for inspection at such plant.

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### § 355.6 Review of applications.

The Administrator will determine whether applications shall be granted or refused.

#### INAUGURATION OF INSPECTION

### § 355.7 Inauguration of inspection.

When an application for inspection, certification, and identification is granted, the circuit supervisor shall, at or prior to the inauguration of inspection, inform the owner or operator of the plant of the requirements of the regulations contained in this part. Inspection shall not be begun if a plant is not in a sanitary condition. The applicant shall adopt and enforce all necessary measures and shall comply with all such directions as the circuit supervisor may prescribe for carrying out the purposes of this part.

### § 355.8 Official number.

To each plant granted inspection an official number shall be assigned. Such number shall be preceded by the letter "A" and used to identify all certified products prepared in the plant.

### § 355.9 Numbers granted same ownership or control.

Two or more official plants under the same ownership or control may be granted the same official number, provided a serial letter is added after the number in each case to identify the plant.

### § 355.10 Assignment of inspectors.

The Administrator shall designate a circuit supervisor of the inspection at each circuit and assign to him such assistants as may be necessary.

#### FEES

### § 355.11 Charge for survey.

Applicants for the inspection, certification, and identification shall reimburse the department for salary, travel cost, per diem allowance, and the like, expended incidental to any survey of

the premises for which the inspection is requested, and in connection with any review of plans which may be made.

### § 355.12 Charge for service.

The fees to be charged and collected by the Administrator shall be at the rates specified in §§ 391.2, 391.3, and 391.4 respectively for base time; for overtime, including Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays; and for certain laboratory services which are not covered under the base time, overtime, and/or holiday costs. Such fees shall reimburse the Service for the cost of the inspection service furnished.

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#### SANITATION AND FACILITIES

### § 355.13 Sanitation.

Sanitary facilities and accommodations shall be furnished by every inspected plant. Of these the following are specifically required:

(a) Dressing rooms, toilet rooms, and urinals shall be sufficient in number, ample in size, and conveniently located. They shall be properly lighted and ventilated and of sanitary construction. They shall be separate from the rooms and compartments in which certified products are prepared, stored or handled.

(b) Modern hand-washing basins, including running hot and cold water, soap and towels shall be placed in or near toilet rooms.

(c) Toilet soil lines shall be separate from house drainage lines to a point outside the buildings and drainage from toilet soil lines shall not be discharged into a grease catchbasin.

(d) Properly located facilities shall be provided for cleansing utensils and hands of all persons handling or preparing any products to be certified.

(e) Equipment and utensils used for preparing any products to be certified shall be of such material and construction as will make them susceptible of being readily and thoroughly cleaned.

(f) Trucks and receptacles used for inedible materials shall be of such construction as to permit ready and thorough cleansing, shall bear a conspicuous and distinctive mark, and