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**Interpretive Memorandum**

**To:** Health Officers and Environmental Health Directors  
**From:** Alan Brench  
**Re:** On-Farm Food Service Facility  
**Date:** September 29, 2005

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An "On-Farm Food Service Facility" has been defined as a temporary food service that:

- a) Is located on a farm;
- b) Serves food as designated by the Department;
- c) Operates during period of time of not more than 30 consecutive days with up to two renewals in a 1-year period.

Under the current COMAR 10.15.05 regulation, the On-farm food service facility will be classified as either a Class I or Class II Special Food Service Facility, depending on the type of food served as follows:

- a) "Class I" when the facility only handles or sells pre-wrapped or prepackaged food or drink in the original sealed container or wrapping and does not prepare, wrap or package any food or drink on the premises.
- b) "Class II" when the facility handles or sells any food or drink other than in a sealed package or prepares, packages or wraps any food or drink on the premises.

Please insert this memo into the Yellow Food Program Policies Binder. Contact Alan Brench at (410) 767-8400 if there are questions concerning this memo.

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