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Secretary Randy Romanski

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TO: Board of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

FROM: Randy Romanski, Secretary
Kelly Smithback, Administrator - Division of Management Services

SUBJECT: Update on Laboratory Projects

PRESENTED BY: Molly Ross, Jeffrey Yang, and Jay Lee - Bureau of Laboratory Services (BLS)

RECOMMENDATION: For informational purposes only. No Board action required.

SUMMARY:

At the January 25, 2024 Board meeting, staff from the Bureau of Laboratory Services will update the Board members on the following projects:

- *LIMS Replacement:* Molly Ross, a Program and Policy Analyst in the Quality Section, will provide an overview of the improved functionality and traceability expectations with the installation of the new Laboratory Information Management System.
- *Ideagen:* Microbiologist Jeffrey Yang will describe the new software that the laboratory is using for its document control system. Jeffrey will highlight paperless processing, as well as document traceability for many workflows associated with quality control and other areas of the laboratory.
- *Cyclospora Testing:* Microbiology Supervisor Jay Lee will explain the new method that the laboratory has validated in partnership with the FDA for the detection of the food borne illness, Cyclospora. His presentation will focus on recent outbreaks related to this organism, the products most affected, and the surveillance program DATCP planned for this Spring.

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