

Fact Sheet No. 7 Status

Beef and Chicken Products Consumption

- Initial draft distributed on July 6
- Comments received from:
 - VDEQ
 - VDH
 - Tech Law
 - EPA
- Issues / Proposed Modifications:
 - Need to reflect childhood exposures, as well as adults
 - Recommend incorporating a table summarizing the number of allowable meals, as well as a graphic
 - Need to reconcile “number of safe meals information” with text by framing “safety” conclusions in terms of the allowable number of meals
 - Keep the analysis in terms of total mercury (vs. MeHg) since including MeHg will not affect the bottom line conclusions
 - Need to get to the bottom line (allowable number of meals) sooner – deemphasize the technical background and analysis process
- Path Forward:
 - Discuss the proposed modifications – SRST Exposure Task Team meeting (August 18)
 - Develop a table of allowable number of meals for adults and children for each tissue
 - Develop a revised draft by September 1