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Food Safety Net Services (FSNS) welcomes new Vice President, Regulatory Affairs

San Antonio, TX – January 10, 2012 - Food Safety Net Services (FSNS) has named Patricia Wester, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs. Ms. Wester is a veteran of food safety in both Domestic and International firms. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Poultry Science from the University of Florida. She began her career in food safety at ABC Research Corp., Gainesville, Florida, where she worked on emerging issues such as *Listeria* detection and control of RTE Meat and Poultry plants. Recently, she has focused on the further development of global, third party certification auditing programs and their use under the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA).

Ms. Wester has a wealth of experience she brings including leadership roles as Chair of Food Safety Services Providers; a U.S. based Trade Association of Accredited Third Party Certification Bodies, a member of Global Food Safety Initiative's (GFSI) Technical Working Group on Auditor Competencies, as well as a 10+ year member of IAFP and current IAFP Vice Chair of the Meat & Poultry Professional Development Group. Additionally, she is on the Advisory Council for the Institute of Food Safety at Florida State College at Jacksonville and is a past member of the American Meat Institute's Scientific Affairs and Inspection Committees, as well as a past board member of the Florida Association for Food Protection.

Gina Bellinger, President, Food Safety Net Services (FSNS) said, 'We are excited about the scope and depth of Patricia's industry knowledge and how she can assist our current and future client base in regard to overall Food Safety'.

About Food Safety Net Services

Food Safety Net Services, corporately based out of San Antonio, TX is a national network of ISO 17025 accredited testing laboratories. Additional services include GFSI approved auditing and consulting capabilities. FSNS also provides expert technical resources that ensure food safety and quality programs deliver the critical information needed to continually improve process controls and measurement systems.