

**VERIFICATION
OF
OYSTER TREATMENT PROCESS
TO REDUCE VIBRIO VULNIFICUS TO NON-DETECTABLE LEVELS**

Title 17, California Code of Regulations
Sections 13675 and 13676

Pursuant to Title 17, California Code of Regulations (CCR) Section 13676(d), the Department of Public Health has determined that oysters harvested from the Gulf of Mexico and processed using the IQF Half Shell Oysters process by:

HILLMAN SHRIMP & OYSTER COMPANY
915 Broadway
Port Lavaca, TX 77979
Shellfish Certification Number: TX 110 SP

has been scientifically validated to reduce the level of *Vibrio vulnificus* in raw Gulf oysters to less than 30 MPN/g and are not subject to the restrictions for sale required by Section 13675 (c) (5) or written warnings required in Section 13675 (b).

Section 13675 (h) requires that the oyster processor provide a copy of this exemption letter to any dealer or retail food facility in California to whom the processor sells or provides processed Gulf of Mexico oysters.

Notice Expires: May 15, 2020



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Benson Yee", is written over the official text.

Benson Yee, Chief
Food Safety Section
Department of Public Health