## AAFCO PTP Canned Pet Food Add-on Survey

For 2020

## 201497 Canned Cat Food

- Sent to the Animal Feed Scheme and Pet Food Scheme participants.
  - Animal Feed Scheme 301 Labs
  - Pet Food Add-on 217 Labs
- 47 labs reported results for this round.
- Low magnesium cat food produced by a manufacturer and donated to the program.
- Lots of left over cans. Offered as QRM. Sold some but not many. The rest had to be disposed of no label plus magnesium as not up to label claim for cats. No expiration date on can (checked store brands for exp. date & we were outside dates). Issue of storage space.

- Pet Food Scheme Satisfaction Survey sent out March 2018 and presented at the Annual Meeting in Fort Lauderdale
- Request from a couple participants in the survey to add a canned pet food
- This request was also made by a couple participants at the 2018 annual meeting.
- Reviewed the background of the previous round and worked up some costs. Decided to send out the interest survey.
- And we want input from the committee

- 275 surveys sent out between the Animal Feed and Pet Food Schemes
  - 182 opened
  - 90 unopened (Some delivered to a Spam folder and others were they just ignored/deleted)
  - 3 bounced back
- 140 responses
- Open from October 1 to October 26 sent out various reminders to recipients

## Which AAFCO PT scheme(s) does your laboratory take part in?

- A total of 140 labs responded.
  - Pet Food Scheme: 9 labs
  - Animal Feed Scheme: 85 labs
  - Participate in both Pet Food and Animal Scheme: 45 labs

Are you interesting in receiving a Canned Pet Food proficiency test round?

- Yes 51
- No 73

Are you willing to pay an additional fee for this add-on?

- Yes 36
- No 30

What packaging would be convenient for your laboratory? Please note that only one size container can be offered; however, numbers of containers received could vary.

- 6 13 oz cans. 22
- 12 13 oz cans 10

## Discussion

- We need a minimum of 30 labs to participate (economics and costs).
- Instead of specialty prepped, purchase from market place (single lot)
- Work with PFI to obtain the lot.
- No specialty mix.