**Emergency Food Policy**

If a sanitarian discovers a situation that they feel constitutes a “clear and present danger to the public health” and/or “immediate danger to the public health” this will be seen as a food emergency.

In the event of a food emergency:

The Meigs County Board of Health passed a resolution on November 12, 2013 giving authority to Board employed sanitarians to embargo foods, institute “cease use” orders and initiate license suspension/revocation proceedings by written order. (ORC 3715.551, OAC 901:3-4-15, and OAC 901:3-4-12)

Additionally, the Board employed sanitarian will immediately notify the Environmental Director of the emergency and action taken to protect public health.