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## Coating systems and baking mixes Not-Ready-to-Eat

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Dear Valued Customer,

Earlier this year we sent communication that our **coating systems applications (predusts, batters, breaders, breadcrumbs, and matrices) and baking mixes** are 'Not Ready to Eat' (NRTE) and therefore require further processing to control microbial pathogens.

### **Reference attached item list.**

At that time, we updated our Certificate of Analysis (CoA) with a statement to communicate product NRTE status. The CoA statement is, "This product is not processed to control potential microbiological hazards. Preventive controls must be applied. Thus this product would be considered Not Ready to Eat."

We are now making changes to our Specifications and in the future to our product labels, so that we consistently share this information. The specification update adds the statement, "For further processing – needs to be fully cooked. This product is Not-Ready-to-Eat."

We are not making any changes to your products as we update our communication of intended use.

Kerry is committed to Safety First, Quality Always, and meeting the expectations of our customers in all we do. Please contact your Account Manager or Customer Care Representative if you need additional information.

Regards,  
Kerry Food Safety & Quality Team

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