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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

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Descriptive Designation for Needle- or Blade-Tenderized (Mechanically Tenderized) Beef Products; Correction

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document corrects the preamble to a proposed rule published in the *Federal Register* on June 10, 2013, regarding new labeling requirements for raw or partially cooked needle- or blade-tenderized beef products, including beef products injected with a marinade or solution. This correction removes a clerical error that appeared in the Paperwork Reduction Act section of the preamble in the proposed rule.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 10, 2013, FSIS issued a proposed rule entitled “Descriptive Designation for Needle- or Blade-Tenderized (Mechanically Tenderized) Beef Products.” FR Doc. No. 2013-13669; 78 FR 34589-34604. Within the abstract of the Paperwork Reduction Act section of the preamble to the proposed rule (FR 34603), FSIS inadvertently included the phrase “that do not fall under a regulatory standard of identity” when characterizing which products would be subject to the rule.

When read as a whole, it is clear that this phrase within the Paperwork Reduction Act section of the preamble was made in error. In no other section of the preamble or in the proposed text of the rule did FSIS make such a statement. Additionally, the remainder of that section of the preamble, as well as the Information Collection Request that FSIS submitted to the Office of Management and Budget accounted for raw or partially cooked needle- or blade-tenderized beef products regardless of whether they fall under a regulatory standard of identity. Moreover, the final rule that FSIS published on May 18, 2015 (80 FR 28153), did not exempt any raw or partially cooked mechanically tenderized products that fall under a regulatory standard of identity from its provisions. FSIS is therefore correcting the clerical error in the proposed rule’s Paperwork Reduction Act section.

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Correction

In the proposed rule, entitled Descriptive Designation for Needle- or Blade-Tenderized (Mechanically Tenderized) Beef Products (FR Doc. No. 2013-13669), beginning on page 34589 in the issue of Monday, June 10, 2013, make the following correction in the Paperwork Reduction Act section.

On page 34603, in the second column, remove “, that do not fall under a regulatory standard of identity.” and add a period after “solution”.

Done in Washington, DC, on September 4, 2015.

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Acting Administrator.

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