



Subject: Reg. (EC) n. 852/2004 on the hygiene of food products, Reg. (EC) no. 853/2004 relating to specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin and Reg. (EC) no. 178/2002 including the rules on food traceability.

With reference to the above subject, we wish to inform you that MARR, in order to guarantee the safety of the food products distributed and processed, has long time prepared and implemented a control system according to the HACCP criteria, which provides, among other things, checks on suppliers and sample checks on products being processed and marketed. This activity is coordinated by the Quality Assurance and Control department, which makes use of both its own internal laboratory and various external accredited laboratories distributed throughout the country.

MARR has obtained the ISO 9001 certification for its quality system and the ISO 22000 certification for food safety. This is voluntary certification, based on the concepts set out in the *Codex Alimentarius*, which includes and integrates the provisions of EC Regulations 852/04 and 853/04. The documentation proving the application of the control and Quality System is available at MARR's Quality Assurance department, including the results of the analysis carried out on the sampled products, for possible inspection by our customers.

The MARR distribution centers are in possession of health registration and community identification mark for the activities carried out, as required by the current provisions of the law.

We also inform you that in compliance with the provisions of Reg. (EC) no. 178/2002, MARR has implemented traceability procedures and an internal management system certified according to the ISO 22005 standard. This system has been implemented to prevent the distribution of a non-compliant product or the withdrawal / recall from the market, when makes it necessary to return a non-compliant product already delivered to customers.

The commercial documents contain the minimum information that allows the univocal identification of the products, such as the description, the internal code and the quantity of product in delivery. The MARR information system also records further detailed information (document number, delivery date, quantity, lot number, expiry date and other traceability information) in order to provide customers with all the information necessary to identify the products in case of withdrawals or recalls of any non-compliant products. In fact have been implemented systems that provide logistic labelling using GS1 128 standard and long time ago we have been requesting our suppliers to identify products with the aforementioned encoding system.

For more information on our Quality System and our certifications, we invite you to consult our website www.marr.it/en/group/quality.

Yours sincerely,

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