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**Subject: NF VALIDATION mark**

**Oxoid Ltd, Part of Thermo Fisher Scientific**  
Mr. Salman ZEITOUNI  
45 Quai de la Prévalaye 35000 Rennes  
FRANCE

La Plaine Saint-Denis, January 10<sup>th</sup> 2020

Dear Sir,

Following the positive agreement expressed on November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019, by the Technical Board of the NF VALIDATION mark (NF102), in its application to the food industry, I beg to inform you that the **NF VALIDATION certification has been renewed** for the following alternative method:

**Thermo Scientific™ Suretect™ *Escherichia coli* O157:H7 PCR Assay**

**Certificate reference No. UNI 03/10-03/15, with end of validity 23-March-2023**

The alternative method is validated by comparison with the reference method ISO 16654/ amendment 1 (2017) and according to the protocol NF EN ISO 16140-2 (2016) for the detection of *Escherichia coli* O157:H7 allowed to extend the scope of the alternative method to the analysis of vegetables and fruits using QuantStudio 5 RT-PCR (QS5) and 7500 Fast instruments and raw beef meats using QS5 PCR instrument.

A further letter will mention full conclusions and possible reservations made by the Technical Board. If reservations are mentioned, I ask you to take them into account without any delay.

Yours Sincerely.



Managing Director  
Franck LEBEUGLE

