



June 12, 2008

The paint is dry, the dust is settled and The National Food Lab (The NFL) is ready to move into our new facilities in Livermore, California. Significant growth over recent years and an expansion of services drive the move from our current building in Dublin to one just 6 miles down the road. The NFL will house its business in two facilities – a Technology Center and an Innovation Center. Each location will serve as a Center of Excellence for the different facets of work that we perform to bring complete solutions across the product lifecycle.

The Technology Center will support The NFL's technically-oriented businesses of process development, food contaminants, food safety, microbiology, chemistry and packaging. This Center will feature a pilot plant with the widest array of commercialization equipment in the industry and spacious laboratories to accommodate the high levels of activity in our microbiology and chemistry divisions.

Our new Innovation Center showcases The NFL's creative, trend-setting services with consumer and sensory research spaces and product development laboratories and kitchens. A focal point of this Center is our stunning new test kitchen, overlooking the vineyards of Livermore, which will serve as a lively place for culinary-driven concept development. The facility will also have ideation environments to facilitate new concept creation. Our innovation and administrative departments will move in August. The two Centers will be linked by environmentally-friendly electric vehicles and state-of-the-art computer and telephone systems to enhance the constant interaction needed to deliver multi-faceted services.

**Food chemistry, packaging and food contaminants** will start to move into the Technology Center June 23rd. While we are working very hard to minimize business interruptions, samples received June 16th to June 30th will have a delayed turnaround time. During our move, your contact for all food chemistry, packaging and food contaminant work (such as pesticide residues or heavy metals) will be Jennifer Braucht, [BrauchtJ@TheNFL.com](mailto:BrauchtJ@TheNFL.com) 925-551-4291. In case of the need for emergency service, please call me at 925-336-6740.

Our **general microbiology** business will move June 27th to June 30th. We do not anticipate any disruption of this service since we will be moving over the weekend. Your contact during our move will continue to be Shaunti Luce, [LuceS@TheNFL.com](mailto:LuceS@TheNFL.com) 925-989-7926.

Our **food safety** and **aseptic** businesses will move June 26th to June 30th.

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Again, we do not anticipate any disruption of these services during our move. Your contact during this move will be Dr. Wilfredo Ocasio, [OcasioW@TheNFL.com](mailto:OcasioW@TheNFL.com) 925-551-4231.

All our phone numbers remain the same. Please continue to dial up the same people and same numbers for the exceptional service and technical expertise you have come to expect from The National Food Lab.

All departments will *continue* to accept samples during our relocation and move. For your convenience, a new analysis request form is attached. Or visit our website at [www.TheNFL.com](http://www.TheNFL.com) for the new form and address.

You may also notice our new logo. With all our upgrades, moving and remodeling, we thought it was time to refresh our look as well. We think our new tagline “*where art meets science*” truly describes the work we do, combining creativity with technical excellence.

We all very much appreciate your patience and understanding during our move. You can always reach me at 925-336-6740 for any issues that might come up during this transition period.

Sincerely,

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