Dear Madam,

Following the positive agreement expressed on May 17th, 2018, by the Technical Board of the NF VALIDATION mark (NF102), in its application to the food industry, I beg to inform you that the extension of NF VALIDATION certification has been granted to Oxoid, part of Thermo Fisher Scientific for the following alternative method:

**Thermo Scientific™ RapidFinder™ Salmonella species, Typhimurium and Enteritidis Multiplex PCR Test**

Certificate reference No. UNI 03/12-01/18, with end of validity 25th-January-2022

This validation extension, performed by comparison to the reference method NF EN ISO 6579-1 (2017) and FD CEN ISO/TR 6579-3 (2014) and according to the validation protocol NF EN ISO 16140-2 (2016), allowed to validate the possibility to use the Applied Biosystems QuantStudio 5 Real-Time PCR instrument with the Thermo Scientific RapidFinder Analysis Software V1.0.

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,

[Signature]

Managing Director
Franck LEBEUGLE
Dear Madam,

Following the positive agreement expressed on January 25th, 2018, 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 granted to Oxoid, part of Thermo Fisher Scientific, for the following alternative method:

**Thermo Scientific™ RapidFinder™ Salmonella species, Typhimurium and Enteritidis Multiplex PCR Test**

Certificate reference No. UNI 03/12-01/18, with end of validity 25th-January-2022

The alternative method has been validated for the detection of *Salmonella* spp., S. Typhimurium and S. Enteritidis in raw pork and poultry meat, ready-to-eat and ready-to-reheat pork and poultry meats and production environmental samples (excluding environment from primary production), by comparison to the reference methods NF EN ISO 8579-1 (2017) and FD CEN ISO/TR 8579-3 (2014) and following the validation protocol NF EN ISO 16140-2 (2016).

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,

[Signature]

Managing Director
Franck LEBEUGLE