

## **FSA response to CEDA recommendations**

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### **Abstract**

The Food Standards Agency (FSA) held a Consultative Exercise on Dose Assessments (CEDA) on 3-4 October 2000 to debate its ideas and methods of assessing radiation dose to the public arising from potential authorised radioactive discharges from nuclear sites in the UK. The meeting was organised by an independent chairman and steering group who produced a report at the end of the meeting. The report included a number of recommendations for action by the FSA, and other organisations.

Certain recommendations have been dealt with immediately whilst others are being addressed as they require more thought and planning. This presentation will summarise the FSA's current position in responding to the recommendations made in the CEDA report. It will focus mainly on the recommendations made specifically to FSA and will cover the following issues:

1. Availability of habit survey data.
2. Use of rolling averages of aquatic consumption data.
3. Use of probability distributions of dose to derive the '*possible dose*'.
4. Presentation of '*probable dose*'.
5. Probabilistic assessments.
6. Collaboration between FSA and Environment Agency on dose assessments.
7. Other recommendations

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