

**Job Description: Quality Control Technician**

**Job Summary:** The Quality Control Technician applies scientific principles in quality control, packaging, processing, and utilization of raw materials, semi-finished food products, finished food products and samples. The primary function of this position is to ensure the integrity and safety of food products throughout the manufacturing process utilizing standards and established testing methods, operating procedures, and adherence to protocols and policies. A critical goal of this position is to support and assist the Management Team in all aspects to drive the continuous improvement of quality.

Reports To: CEO

**Key Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Monitor plant operations
- Conduct sanitation inspections
- Supervise pest control
- Supervise cleaning of plant and equipment
- Supervise that the equipment properly detects the absence of metal in the production
- Assist management in implementation of procedures, protocols and policies, and monitoring for compliance (for example, FDA)
- Perform data entry in Quality Assurance database (Excel, Access and dedicated software)
- Identify quality, procedure and policy deviations; effectively report such deviations and provide accurate information in a timely manner
- Participate in continuous improvement plans
- Provide technical assistance to production personnel as needed
- Maintain a safe work environment for all employees

**Relationships:**

Will interface with Purchasing (for raw materials and supplier's documents and certifications), R&D (in Italy), and US plant production leaders / shift supervisors and logistics workers.

**Requirements:**

- Familiarity with standard quality control concepts, practices, and procedures within food manufacturing
- Strong organizational skills
- Ability to work independently
- Willingness and ability to obtain FDA specific training
- Must be able to lift low to medium weight (10-30lbs) material on a regular basis, and heavy (40-50lbs) materials periodically
- Strong data entry and data management skills
- Willingness and ability to travel abroad for technical training

**Education and/or Experience:**

- Associate Degree in food safety management or a related field (Bachelor Degree preferred)
- 5 years of experience in food manufacturing (pellet specific a plus)

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