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Good progress has been made on a newly awarded NIH/ODS contract, since the award date of September 19, 2008, in this first quarter's work, with both an AOAC Presidential Task Force on Dietary Supplement (PTFDS) meeting and Ingredient Ranking Subcommittee (IRS) meeting convened per requirements of the Scope of Work. Both meetings were face-to-face meetings and held, as preferred, during the AOAC annual meeting.

With respect to these meetings, the following documents are attached:

- Minutes of the AOAC Presidential Task Force on Dietary Supplements (PTFDS) meeting, September 21, 2008, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Dallas, Texas, held in conjunction with the 122nd AOAC annual meeting.
- Minutes of the Ingredient Ranking Subcommittee (IRS) meeting, September 21, 2008, 3:00-6:00 p.m., Dallas, Texas, held in conjunction with the 122nd AOAC Annual Meeting.

In addition, both "Call for Ingredients" and "Call for Methods" are attached, with the latter document being specific to turmeric, black cohosh (phenolic acids and triterpene glycosides) and Vitamins B6 and B12 per requirements of the Scope of Work.

- Call for Ingredients, sent 10/2/08 to UNPA, USP, AHPA, CHPA, NIST, CRN, NNFA, and AHP; follow up calls and emails 10/10/08. Published on the AOAC website as a news flash, and also on the Natural Products Insider website in several places: as a news story, Jon Benninger's blog on the Insider site, and Jon Benninger's blog on the SupplySide West website. As a result of being posted on the Insider site, it was also included in the content of the weekly Natural Products Insider e-newsletter with 15,000 circulation.
- Call for Methods, published in the September/October 2008 issue of *Inside Laboratory Management*, on the AOAC website as a news flash, and also on the Natural Products Insider website in several places (as mentioned above), and included in the content of the weekly Natural Products e-newsletter.