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### **Education for Food Safety Validation is Crucial**

*TRI Air Testing and ASI Food Safety Auditing Company Team Up For Webinar*

**AUSTIN, Texas - (April 25th, 2017)** The FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) ensures the U.S food supply is safe by stringent compliance in preventing contamination and illnesses as well as responding to outbreaks. FSMA states that compressed air and gas needs to be tested in all facilities. Among the new points of emphasis is validating all control points including compressed air that comes into direct or indirect contact with the product or it's packaging. TRI Air Testing is an AIHA-LAP, LLC accredited compressed air testing laboratory that has over 41 years of experience testing compressed air and gas. TRI Air Testing is teaming up ASI Food Safety, an auditing company, on May 4th, 2017 for a webinar focusing on FSMA facility validation and general food industry regulatory specifications in regards to compressed air and gas.

Jason Vandagriff, TRI Air Testing Assistant Lab Director, states, "I'm eager to present on how to set up your facility to meet food quality standards. We will be covering issues such as compressed air systems, the variable specifications of different food regulatory standards such as SQF, FSMA, BRC, and GFSI. Food product engineers, microbiologists, QA/QC associates and facility engineers will benefit from this presentation. We are happy to team up with ASI Food Safety to provide the avenue for us to present this webinar."

Shannon Nute-Clemens, ASI Food Safety SQF Certification Manager says, “We are always looking to work with cutting edge companies like TRI Air Testing, in order to stay ahead of food safety regulations. As a certification body, ASI Food Safety ensures that our warehouse, distribution, food processing and consumer goods facilities are compliant to the most current laws and regulations. By supporting TRI Air Testing in informing our clients, it can help to reduce food contamination risks, and lower the probability of a food borne illness outbreak.” To register for the *Air Testing in Your Food Facility Webinar* please visit this link: <http://www.asifood.com/learning-lunches.html>

James Scherer, the Director of Sales at TRI Air Testing, just returned from the BRC conference in Florida organized by the BRC Global Standards. He states, “ BRC will be providing further clarification on compressed air testing in it’s upcoming revisions. These changes will help align BRC clients with current FSMA regulations.”

TRI Air Testing is attending the Food Safety Summit in Chicago on May 8th-11th, 2017. Jason Vandagriff will present content concerning specific analytical methods that TRI Air Testing uses for food industry customers on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at 4:15pm-4:45pm in Conference Center room 26. The presentation will be available on the TRI Air Testing website soon after the conference.

It is important that the rules and regulations surrounding the FSMA quality standards be adhered in the food and beverage industry, as they provide a guideline for product quality and end user safety. From a compressed gas standpoint, the development of the validation project plan is very critical to this end product quality. The proper execution of the Installation Qualification, Operational Qualification, and Performance Qualification of all validated systems within the facility is the apex of maintaining quality and safety.

TRI Air Testing, an AIHA-LAP, LLC accredited laboratory, provides worldwide compressed air testing for fire service, SCUBA, OSHA, medical, manufacturing, pharmaceutical, food/beverage, industrial companies and the Government/Military. TRI Air Testing is dedicated to the highest standards of scientific analysis and pioneered the science of compressed air and gas testing and offers 24-hour turn around time on most tests. TRI strives to be a reliable partner with all customers to help them maintain high levels of quality in their processes. Please visit [www.airtesting.com](http://www.airtesting.com) for further information.

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