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Dear SQFI Professional:

This letter was originally sent to auditors, but it applies to all SQF food safety professionals. It was brought to my attention that certain SQFI registered professionals are sharing codes to access the Alchemy online Professional Update webinar and test in its live and recorded formats. SQFI is asking you to inform your salaried and contract professionals that this type of behavior will not be tolerated.

This activity must stop immediately. Any SQF professional found to be acting in this manner will have his or her registration withdrawn immediately, and their credentials may be revoked permanently for violation of the SQF Professional Code of Conduct: 1.1.1 “Act professionally accurately, honestly and impartially and in an unbiased manner.”

Effective immediately, all professionals must register and pay for an upcoming Professional Update prior to the initiation of the Webinar, even if the individual cannot attend the live webinar but plans to access the materials in their recorded state. No one will be allowed to register and pay for a professional update that has occurred in the past in order to view the recorded materials.

We apologize for having to take such a strong stance regarding this program, but it is the only way that we can maintain the highest levels of integrity for all SQF professionals required to attend the Professional Updates.

Sincerely

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