



## **Produce Safety Committee**

**Committee Objective:** The Produce Safety Committee (hereafter, “the Committee”) is a stand-alone committee that works in close coordination with the Supply Chain Committee and Technology Committee. The Committee serves PMA membership by identifying critical industry issues in produce safety and science, providing insights on emerging trends, challenges and research, determining how this impacts the produce industry domestically and globally, and working with PMA staff to develop strategies to address those issues, including advocacy and engagement with the international regulatory bodies.

### **Committee Member Prerequisites:**

- Should have either food safety, science or business expertise in produce science and food safety that can impact the produce and floral industries crop production, processing operations, distribution and/or retail
- Can be from across the global supply chain (e.g. growers, shippers, processors, service providers, foodservice or retail professional segments)

### **Roles and Responsibilities:**

- Translate complex food safety and science issues into viable business applications for the produce industry.
- Provide practical technical expertise and strategic direction to help staff evaluate key food safety and science topics, and regulatory or legislative requests or opportunities where industry input is required to shape domestic and international policy, regulation or best practices
- Provide PMA input on competitive environment in food safety and science
- Advise PMA staff and Board of Directors on emerging food safety and science trends and research that may impact the industry
- Act as a champion for PMA Food Safety and Science content
  - Assist PMA with development of web and event content
  - Identify speakers/thought leaders
  - Participate in events as appropriate
  - Assist in promotional support as appropriate

### **Estimated Time Commitment and Meeting Format:**

- Bi-monthly in-person or virtual meetings
- Conference calls and webinars as needed

### **Term Limits:**

- Chair and vice-chair appointed to two-year terms
- Committee members are reviewed annually to ensure sufficient continuity

### **Relationship with Other Leadership Groups:**

- Reports to PMA Board of Directors

### **Volunteer Expenses:**

- Travel and lodging expenses (such as airfare, ground transportation, lodging, etc.) and event registrations associated with attending committee meetings will be the responsibility of the committee member
- Committee member must be a member of PMA