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Re: E. coli O157:H7 cluster 0910MLEXH-1 update.

Thanks,

Let me look into the reasons we are not investigating further and I will get back to you.

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Subject: RE: E. coli O157:H7 cluster 0910MLEXH-1 update.

Briefly ther are three people (2 lowa residents and one Minnesota resident) who ate at the same exact Italian restaurant in Omaha, Nebraska on Sep 5. Two Colorado residents ate (independently) at the same Italian restaurant in Pueblo (I think), Colorado on Sep 6. The Nebraska and Colorado restaurants are not part of the same chain. All of the 5 cases had salads, and invoices from the 2 restaurants showed that they both get the same brand of romaine lettuce (Cross Valley Farms). Again, rock solid - could get lots of bang for the buck by following up.

The 5 cases in other states do have leafy green exposures in restaurants as well:

Colin could provide more detail.

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