

Item: **Beef Strips in a Savory Tomato Sauce**

Document: **PCR-B-061, Beef Strips in a Savory Tomato Sauce, Packaged in a Flexible Pouch, Shelf Stable**

Approximate Caloric Value Per Serving: **290** Component Classification: **Primary**

Estimated Shelf Life: **3 years at 80°F**

Item Characteristics

Cooked whole muscle beef strips in a tomato based sauce.

Appearance: Beef: Reddish-brown cooked beef strips of random widths and lengths; may have grill marks.
Sauce: Glossy, free flowing, moderately thick, reddish-brown color; may have onion pieces.

Odor: Cooked beef, cooked tomato, cooked onion, and mild chili powder.

Flavor: Cooked beef, cooked tomato, cooked onion, and mild chili powder.

Texture: Beef: Moist and tender.
Sauce: Smooth, moderately thick; may contain pieces of onion.

Possible Deteriorative Changes

Appearance: Beef: excessive darkening, excessively broken up beef strips.
Sauce: Excessive darkening, excessively thin or runny or thick and/or gelatinous.

Odor: Scorched, heat stressed, diminished cooked tomato, cooked onion and chili powder odor.

Flavor: Scorched, heat stressed, low or lacking cooked tomato, cooked onion and chili powder flavor.

Texture: Beef: dry, hard.
Sauce: thin or runny or excessively thick and/or gelatinous.

Unique Examination/Test Procedures

N/A

Special Notes

None