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On 2/2/2012, at approximately 0830 hours MST, SPHV [REDACTED] met with Mr. Rick De Los Santos to discuss the sequence of events for advancing with the approval of the Federal Grant of Inspection (grant of inspection) including equine slaughter and processing.

SPHV [REDACTED] reported to Mr. De Los Santos the Denver District Office had received the establishment's grant of inspection submission and Ms. [REDACTED], had asked SPHV [REDACTED] for additional information via email 2/2/2012. SPHV [REDACTED] stated Ms. [REDACTED] needed to know whether the establishment was requesting to have the same establishment number, 07299, affiliated with equine operations. Ms. [REDACTED] had explained to SPHV [REDACTED] the grant application did not contain an "E" space for number designation. Mr. De Los Santos reported to SPHV [REDACTED] the establishment would like to utilize 07299 for equine operations if possible. SPHV [REDACTED] stated she would email the request to Ms. Gockley.

In response to email communications sent between the establishment, Ms. Anna Gallegos, DDM; and SPHV [REDACTED] SPHV [REDACTED] had requested Ms. Gallegos confirm the progression steps for the establishment having the grant of inspection including equine slaughter and processing approved by the Denver District Office (DO). SPHV [REDACTED] reported to Mr. De Los Santos the following: the establishment had submitted their SIP waiver request to Ms. Isabel Arrington. Ms. Arrington works with FSIS RIMD. According to Mr. De Los Santos, Ms. Arrington has reported that the SIP waiver submitted by the company is being reviewed. SPHV stated that RIMD is separate from FSIS OFO which includes SPHV [REDACTED] and the DO. SPHV [REDACTED] explained that RIMD will send both the establishment and DO a SIP Letter containing the approved establishment SIP information. Once the DO has this letter, verification procedures will be developed by OFO and attached to the establishment SIP protocol.

In addition to an approved SIP protocol, SPHV [REDACTED] stated the establishment must also complete any necessary facility upgrades required for equine slaughter. Mr. De Los Santos inquired if those requirements were from the PowerPoint presentation given to the establishment by Ms. Gallegos previously. SPHV [REDACTED] confirmed the PowerPoint did contain the requirements. SPHV [REDACTED] stated that after Mr. De Los Santos reported the facility was ready for review and the SIP Letter had been received by DO, a facility walkthrough would be conducted by OFO. Grant of inspection for equine operations would be approved after all elements on the walkthrough were deemed acceptable. Mr. De Los Santos indicated he understood by nodding.

SPHV [REDACTED] also stated the establishment would need to have a equine slaughter and processing Hazard Analysis and HACCP with supporting documentation for review before any equine products could be produced. SPHV [REDACTED] stated she did not believe the equine HACCP systems needed to be in place for the grant of inspection to be approved, but no operations could commence until a system was in place regardless of approval. Mr. De Los Santos reported he had not yet considered the Hazard Analysis or HACCP for equine operations.

Mr. De Los Santos had no further questions regarding the approval process at this time and the meeting closed at 0840 MST.

Plant Management Response:

Establishment responses are included in the above text.