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Sent:

Wednesday, June 20, 2012 9:52 AM

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Subject:

RE:

Dr. Gilmore.

What I recall was they initially tried to start under the Salmonella Initiative Program (SIP) approach when the Agency was considering the multi species concept and pondering the waiver. Use of the SIP consideration went to the wayside after a few weeks I believe.

Scott's input: I believe Valley Meats, Est. 7299 in Roswell NM looked into this and was denied. They were looking at this back in December. I think it was denied in February, but I don't know if they ever formally applied for the waiver or were formally denied. Anna would have more details.

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Didn't the NM plant want to do multiple species at one point?

From: Reeder, Robert - FSIS

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Asking...I don't think we have, but I'm asking our folks.

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Wagner, Scott - FSIS; Cornett, Julie - FSIS; Bane, Robert - FSIS

Subject:

I need to get input ASAP on this...have any of you been approached by plants asking for a waiver to slaughter multiple species, including horses?

"Five separate establishments previously applied for waivers that would allow them to slaughter horses alongside other species. Those waivers were denied. FSIS regulations prohibit the slaughter or other preparation of products of horses in the same establishment in which cattle, sheep, swine, or goats are slaughtered or their products are prepared (9 CFR 305.2). The requirements for a waiver were not met in this case."