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Sent:	Sunday, May 12, 2013 8:27 PM
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Subject:	Responsible Transportation

Good Evening Dr. Gilmore,

On May 10, 2013, I visited the establishment in Sgourney Iowa owned by Responsible Transportation. I can provide the following points to update the progress of their application for grant of inspection.

- •• The floor mounted rail system has been successfully constructed on the kill floor. This slaughter line will be
- •• APHIS will have an inspector on duty to monitor receiving the first 10 days or so of production.
- •• The establishment will be using a
- •• All equipment is now on location and construction is being aggressively pursued.
- •• The company provided an additional letter from the City of Sgourney, indicating Responsible Transportation will have no adverse effect on public health as far as the city is concerned.
- •• The second letter provided is from **Constant and the second letter** . verifying the contract with Responsible Transportation and providing assurance they hold a rendering license through the



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State of Iowa. (Both letters are attached for you file)

- •• Anticipated progress:
  - • Completion of equipment construction on slaughter line by May 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - • Completion of electrical work completed by May 24th
  - Deep cleaning and ready for final survey walk through May 24<sup>th</sup>
  - Final walk through tentative date: May 24, 2013.

If you have any questions or would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thanks.

## DW

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## IMPACT STATEMENT FOR RESPONSIBLE TRANSPORTATION LLC

Sigourney, Iowa

Responsible Transportation LLC intends to operate a horse processing facility located in Keokuk County, Iowa.

**IMPACT STATEMENT:** Keaton Walker, President and Chief Executive Officer, Responsible Transportation LLC was present at a City of Sigourney, Public Safety Committee meeting on Monday, April 29, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Walker reviewed his company's operation and discussed their determination to be proactive regarding their environmental review. The Public Safety Committee members asked questions concerning Responsible Transportation's environmental safety process and concluded the facility is being maintained as it has been in the past and there should not be any changes to the existing environmental conditions or to have any significant environmental effects in the City of Sigourney. The Committee also understands, through information provided by Mr. Walker, that Responsible Transportation LLC will not directly or indirectly negatively affect the quality of the human environment, the public health or the public safety to the citizens of Sigourney, lowa.

Randall D. Schultz, Mayor Pro-tem Public Safety Chairperson

Attest:

Angela K. Alderson, City Clerk

Responsible Transportation LLC Keaton Walker

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will be providing your rendering services which all rendering product will be transported to our Des Moines facility and will be rendered. We hold a rendering license through the State of Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship.

Thank you

Transportation Manager