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Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2013 11:58 AM
To: McKean, Jennifer - FSIS
Cc: Nelson, Ron - FSIS; Gallegos, Anna - FSIS; Reeder, Robert - FSIS
Subject: RE: Press inquiry about Valley Meat

Will do. Thanks

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I had to review the file to answer a couple of Tom Bolick's questions, and I noticed that actually you all did issue a LOW for the suspension taken on 2-24-12. The LOW was issued on 9-28-12. However neither of the suspension cases were closed out in AssuranceNet. Can you go ahead and close them both out since LOWs were issued?

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Dr. Engeljohn,
They did proffer acceptable corrective actions. The suspension was put into abeyance on February 29, 2012. The action was not closed because they discontinued slaughtering cattle before we could complete the verification.

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I do need to know if the plant proffered acceptable corrective actions and resumed operations following the latest NOS while in the Denver DO.

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On Mar 6, 2013, at 2:51 PM, "McKean, Jennifer - FSIS" <Jennifer.McKean@fsis.usda.gov> wrote:

Doretta pulled the two previous NOS from AssuranceNet. If there is anything else we need to know, let us know.

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Has Denver DO shared the information with Dallas DO? If not, please do so that we have one voice from OFO on this issue. Thanks.

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On Mar 6, 2013, at 2:29 PM, "McKean, Jennifer - FSIS" <Jennifer.McKean@fsis.usda.gov> wrote:

Super, thanks.

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I was just typing you and email about this. CNN will be going to interview Valley Meats in the next 24-48 hours. If you receive any other calls or inquiries from them please keep us in the loop. CNN is asking about prior HH violations at the plant and other info related to past operations as you note below.

Neil in our office is point on this and will keep you posted as he gathers info and responds. He may also need to reach out to you with questions.

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We will make sure call goes to OPACE.

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Hello,

I just had a phone call from a Mr. Casey Wyans, who is a reporter with CNN. He wanted to talk about the suspension for inhumane slaughter at Valley Meat Company. I referred him to CPAO, but wanted to give you a heads-up.

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