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Keaton Walker
Responsible Transportation LLC
22034 200th Street
Sigourney, IA 52591

Dear Mr. Walker:

This office received notification from the Office of Program Evaluation, Enforcement, and Review (OPEER) that they did not find any records for your firm that would provide a basis to deny inspection services.

To the best of my knowledge, horse slaughter has not yet been initiated in the United States or a foreign system has not been deemed equivalent. Horse meat cannot enter the United States for human consumption, including processing of the meat, until the slaughter issues are resolved.

Please continue to work with Frontline Supervisor Dr. [REDACTED] to make sure your establishment meets Federal requirements, and the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) and Sanitation Standard Operating Procedures (SSOP) plans, and any prerequisite programs that may be required, are completed.

Once the above issues are resolved, please call Dr. [REDACTED] at 515-[REDACTED] to schedule a "walk through." At that time, if Dr. [REDACTED] agrees that the requirements have been met, he will contact this office for issuance of the Conditional Grant.

If you have any questions regarding this, please contact this office. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dawn Sprouls, D.V.M.
District Manager

cc:

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