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Subject: Responsible Transportation Update

Good Evening Dr. Gilmore,

On Friday, May 17, I met with the plant ownership and management team of Responsible Transportation at the Sgourney Facilities. The purpose of this visit was to determine if contractors are on schedule to complete the project as projected by the end of the week of May 24, 2013. Findings of my visit today support the position the construction project is on time. The entire rail system has now been installed. Over 50% of necessary inspection stands have been placed and most anchored. All equipment has been received. The representatives are due in early next week to oversee the installation of most heavy duty slaughter equipment. The outside grounds are cleared hauling several loads of concrete and stainless steel daily. The owners have expressed their sincere belief they will be ready for final walkthrough by May 24<sup>th</sup>, with a backup date of May 28<sup>th</sup> if necessary.

Plant management continues to meet with Dr. of APHISto assure APHIS will have an inspector onsite to monitor appropriate transport of documentation of the animals. Since the informal review of the HACCP, SSOP, and SPS programs some changes have been made in these programs. I will be requesting an BAO accompany me on the final walkthrough for their assurance these programs meet regulatory requirements.

Should you have any questions or need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thanks.

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