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Subject: Rains Natural Meats Gallatin MO, Horse Slaughter update

Good Morning Dr. Gilmore,

The status below has not changed for the Gallatin, MO plant. David Rains (owner) did contact us with information that he would be contacting us next week (probably Wednesday) to ask for a "final" walk through of his facility and programs. He stated he should have his HACCP plan with residue programs ready for review by then, and he feels his facility and programs will be ready to go.

"For the Gallatin MO plant I have:

Application received, HACCP, SSOP and residue programs reviewed. Plant walk through completed. Plant needs to submit a finalized drug testing protocol. Needs NEPA certification. Inspection needs horse slaughter training."

I noticed from the status of the NM plant in the Dallas District, that the plant will need NEPA certification. I can't find out much about this certification and was wondering if you could fill me in on the particulars; especially who contacts what agency to get the process going. I also understand there is an MOU being developed with APHIS addressing the transportation of horses for slaughter, but it is not finished. Finally, I understand FSIS has not finished developing guidance on the residue issue or the IPP training issue.

I don't want to say anything to Mr. Rains to mislead him, but I don't want to remain silent either. Please let me know if you see any heartburn in my plans.

We will let him know that:

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Thank You for your assistance.

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Subject: horse slaughter

I need an update on any activity on the 3 active horse applications. I will need to get this on a weekly basis from this point forward, and need the information by each Monday.

For the NM plant, the last I have listed is:

Application received, HACCP, SSOP and residue programs reviewed. Plant walk through completed. NEPA certification complete. Needs final walk through. Inspection currently being trained.

For the Gallatin MO plant I have:

Application received, HACCP, SSOP and residue programs reviewed. Plant walk through completed. Plant needs to submit a finalized drug testing protocol. Needs NEPA certification. Inspection needs horse slaughter training.

For the Sigourney IA plant I have:

Initial walk through completed. Owners are bringing equipment into the plant. HACCP/SSOP and residue plans have not been reviewed. Plan to be operational in 30 to 90 days.

Thanks for your help!

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