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From: Sent: To: Subject: Gilmore, Keith - FSIS Wednesday, May 15, 2013 6:45 PM Thompson, Eric - FSIS Re: Rains Natural Meats

Thanks Eric.

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Good Afternoon Dr. Gilmore,

Today, 05-15-2013, Dr. Clarkson and I drove past Rains Natural Meats and observed no activity at the facility and a closed sign in the driveway. This observation and the phone call from Mr. Rains (reported earlier today) are everything that has happened since yesterday.

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Today, at approximately 09:30, Mr. Rains called Dr. Clarkson and asked about recall plans. Dr. Clarkson said he would send the agency guidance from the website and briefly discussed the issue. Mr. Rains then asked about the status of his application and the response was He then asked about NM and the response was we know nothing about NM. He then said he was hearing that the HSUS was using NEPA to stall the NM slaughter and the answer was Pleasantries were exchanged and the call ended. Dr. Clarkson then sent Mr. Rains the recall plan guidance by 10:30. That is the latest information we have... Eric Thompson

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