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From:	Thompson, Eric - FSIS
Sent:	Wednesday, September 04, 2013 9:41 AM
To:	Clarkson, Robert - FSIS
Subject:	RE: Rains Natural Meats Gallatin MO, update

Good Morning Dr. Clarkson,

We are sending Dr. Ganzel to cover any early inspection necessary and Dr. MaGill will travel tomorrow to catch the rest. Could you meet with Dr. Ganzel and visit the Sheriff in the morning? It would be a good idea to have Dr. Woodworth available for tomorrow, thanks. The hard part is going to be to stay alert and ready to staff at any time without knowing exactly when that is going to be. Good Luck to us all. Thanks Dr. Clarkson.

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From: Clarkson, Robert - FSIS Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 8:02 AM To: Thompson, Eric - FSIS Subject: FW: Rains Natural Meats Gallatin MO, update

It would take me 1-2 hours lead time to make sure Rich and Dr. Woodworth are there. It's about an hour from any other plant. I would like to have a pre-slaughter meeting with them to go over what to expect, the training, and the Directive. They have reviewed it extensively already though.

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No problem. I think she and Steve Rains are aware of

She did say that they would be ready to slaughter within 5 minutes of receiving the grant. Is the plant ready to be staffed in such a manner?

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Good Morning Dr. Engeljohn,

I fired the last one off as quick as possible for a heads up. This one has more detail. Ms. Wallis (lawyer) asked where her clients grant was, and I said under review. She said it was her understanding that it was supposed to be issued yesterday, I told her that no one from this office or agency had made such assurances. She asked about CatEx and I told her we were waiting on a document concerning such. She entered into a speech about how the document is already there and how we are denying her client the right to work. She suggested Rains send a bill for his down time. The rest of the conversation was listening to more of the same. She asked for the chain of command her and I told her and she said she would call you. That is all.

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