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Dear Valued Customer:

All Specific Risk Materials from cattle of all ages will not be allowed into the human food chain. The carcasses will be checked and segregated according to FSIS Directive 6100.4 (Effective 10/01/07). The USDA and plant management or trained designee will examine the dentition of all animals to determine the age of such animal. The carcasses are then segregated as 30 months and older and 29 months and younger. All bone-in products are from cattle less than 30 months of age.

Elkhorn Valley Packing has a downer livestock policy in place for any non-ambulatory disabled cattle. This includes cattle that are described in 9 CFR 309.2(b). Any of the following will be condemned in accordance with 9 CFR 314.3 & 9 CFR 311.27.

In our processing facility according to 9 CFR 310.22, all spinal vertebral column from carcasses 30 months and over will be removed and condemned. No Specified Risk Materials will be allowed into the food chain according to FSIS Directive 6100.4 (Effective 10/1/07). AMR systems are not used in Elkhorn Valley Packing facilities.

Elkhorn Valley Packing has reassessed its HACCP Plans to be in compliance with FSIS Directive 6100.4 (Effective 10/01/07).

These changes have been made to protect the consumers. The measures put into place will prevent the risk BSE from entering the human food chain.

Should you have any questions please contact me at the above number.

Respectfully,



Troy Bennington

HACCP Coordinator

Elkhorn Valley Packing