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Commissioner

North Carolina Department of Agriculture  
and Consumer Services  
*Food and Drug Protection Division*

Joseph W. Reardon  
Director

August 22, 2008

Mr. James Aurther Pope – CEO  
Variety Stores, Inc.  
P.O. Drawer 947  
Henderson, NC 27536

Dear Mr. Pope:

A re-inspection of your retail store, Roses, located at 300 N. Virginia Road, Edenton, NC 27932, was conducted on July 11, 2008 by Food Regulatory Specialist William Creps of this Department. This re-inspection revealed the presence of objectionable and insanitary food storage conditions. We specifically direct to your attention the following observations and FDC 0014316-0014318:

1. Five (5) rodent excreta pellets were observed on top of 21 oz. cans of Musselman's Chocolate Crème Pie Filling on the fifth shelf from the top in the canned goods shelving.
2. Approximately ten (10) rodent excreta pellets were observed on the third shelf from the top behind cans of 14.5 oz. Stokely's Cut Green Beans and 15 ¼ oz. containers of Campbell's Chunky Soup Chicken Noodle
3. Approximately five (5) rodent excreta pellets were observed on the fourth shelf from the top directly below the shelf above in observation 2
4. A rodent gnawed candy wrapper was found in the same area as observation 2.
5. A large cockroach was observed in the rear warehouse in the walkway in front of bin: "Bulk103"
6. Opening from slight to more than one inch (1") were noted along the floor/wall juncture in the rear warehouse in the corner with the sprinkler riser and behind a pallet of Clorox under bin labeled "water only"
7. Storage conditions in the rear warehouse with pallets stored against walls and items stored from the floor to ceiling and only pathways thru stored products do not lend themselves to cleaning and pest control activities and creates potential harborage for pests.

Your inspection of March 25, 2008 by Mr. Creps revealed similar insanitary conditions. Therefore, we have directed this matter to your attention as CEO in order that you might take immediate steps to correct the above-mentioned conditions and assure a continual safe and sanitary operation. Your written response outlining the actions you are taking will be anticipated by this office within fifteen (15) days of receiving this letter.

Sincerely,

Joan R. Sims  
Food Compliance Officer

cc: William D. Creps – Food Regulatory Specialist  
Mr. John Demario – Store Manager



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FDC NO: 0014316 Raleigh, N.C. July 21, 2008

An OFFICIAL SAMPLE, represented or sold as Filth

Obtained By: William D. Creps an officer of this Department on July 11, 2008

Labeled: A small sample vial of collections from on top of 21 oz. cans of Musselman's Chocolate Creme Pie Filling located at retail on the 5<sup>th</sup> shelf from the top in the canned goods shelving

Mfr. or Dist. \_\_\_\_\_

Retail Dealer Roses, 300 N. Virginia Road, Edenton, NC 27932

RESULTS OF ANALYSIS:

Four (4) rat or mouse excreta pellets

CONCLUSION: Product has been produced, prepared, packed or held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth, or whereby it may have been rendered diseased, unwholesome or injurious to health.

TO: William D. Creps  
Roses

*Larry D. Gabriel*

Larry D. Gabriel, Food Administrator  
BY: Melanie Mhorsson  
Food Compliance Officer



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FDC NO: 0014317 Raleigh, N.C. July 21, 2008

An OFFICIAL SAMPLE, represented or sold as Filth

Obtained By: William D. Creps an officer of this Department on July 11, 2008

Labeled: A small sample vial of collections from retail on the third shelf from the top behind cans of 14.5 oz. Stokely's Cut Green Beans and 15 1/4 oz. containers of Campbell's Chunky Soup Chicken Noodle

Mfr. or Dist. \_\_\_\_\_

Retail Dealer Roses, 300 N. Virginia Road, Edenton, NC 27932

RESULTS OF ANALYSIS:

Four (4) rat or mouse excreta pellets

CONCLUSION: Product has been produced, prepared, packed or held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth, or whereby it may have been rendered diseased, unwholesome or injurious to health.

TO: William D. Creps  
Roses

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FDC NO: 0014318 Raleigh, N.C. July 21, 2008

An OFFICIAL SAMPLE, represented or sold as Filth

Obtained By: William D. Creps an officer of this Department on July 11, 2008

Labeled: A small sample vial of foil collected on the third shelf from the top behind cans of 14.5 oz. Stokely's Cut Green Beans and 15 1/4 oz. containers of Campbell's Chunky Soup Chicken Noodle at retail.

Mfr. or Dist. \_\_\_\_\_

Retail Dealer Roses, 300 N. Virginia Road, Edenton, NC 27932

RESULTS OF ANALYSIS:

One (1) rodent hair

CONCLUSION: Product has been produced, prepared, packed or held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth, or whereby it may have been rendered diseased, unwholesome or injurious to health.

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Roses

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Food Compliance Officer



**ARIETY  
HOLESALERS, INC.**

Roses - Maxway - Super 10 - Super Dollar - Bill's  
Bargain Town - Value Mart - Treasure Mart

P.O. Box 947 • 218 South Garnett Street  
Henderson, NC 27536  
Corporate and Buying Office - (252) 430-2600  
Accounting & Warehouse - (252) 430-2100

September 25, 2008

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C/o Joan Sims  
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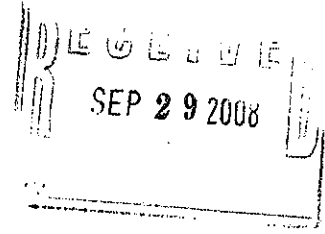
Re: Inspection @ Roses 425  
32 N. Virginia Road  
Chowan Crossing S/C  
Edenton, NC 27932

Dear Ms. Sims,

I am writing to you to give you an update on our Roses Store #425. You will find attached a letter from Dodson on what they have done and what their intentions are. You will see that they have had the store manager to clean up all droppings and they put out more glue boards. They will return in two weeks for a follow up. The store manger has had all holes and doors rodent proofed. If you have any questions please call me at 252-430-2845.

Sincerely,

Ken Dickerson  
Director, Maintenance Services  
KD/fw





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Larry,

Our technician responded to the service request the second week of Sept. at Rose # 425 32 N. Virginia Rd. Edenton, Nc. 27932. He reported mouse droppings on can good shelving located on sales floor. He had the store manager clean up droppings. At the same time he found that the door in receiving needed rodent proofing. He placed out glue boards in areas showing activity and in the stockroom adjacent to receiving.

A follow up service was rendered on 09/18/08 the tech reports no current activity was visible. The door is still in need of rodent proofing. We will return in 2 weeks for a follow up. Call if you have any further question.

Thank You,

William



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Corporate Office Lynchburg, Virginia Established, 1944

Serving Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia & District of Columbia