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CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms. Chin Nguyen
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Charlotte, NC 28205

Dear Ms. Nguyen:

This Office represents the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (hereinafter, "NCDACS") and this letter is written in that capacity.

We recently received information from NCDACS concerning misbranded meat products that you processed, stored, offered for sale and sold to the general public. Specifically, the NCDACS investigation found approximately 88 pounds (40 packages) of misbranded meat products (pork side meat, pork leg bones, pork sausage, beef ribs, beef roasts and beef leg bones) bearing no NCDA or USDA mark of inspection or required labeling. In a signed statement dated February 10, 2009, you admitted that you purchased the meat products in boxes with U.S.D.A. marks of inspection and repackaged the meat products without the benefit of inspection. You then stored, offered for sale and sold the misbranded meat products to the general public for approximately one year.

Please be advised that the sale of misbranded and/or uninspected meat is a violation of North Carolina General Statute (N.C.G.S.) §106-549.23 with civil and criminal penalties. Please understand that you will not receive any further warning with regard to this violation. If you should continue to sell misbranded and/or uninspected meat products, the NCDACS will pursue legal action against you to invoke the penalties associated with these continued violations. I certainly hope this expensive action will not be necessary.

Sincerely,

Anne J. Brown
Special Deputy Attorney General

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cc: Mr. Donald H. Delozier, MPID Director

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