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FSIS Docket Clerk
Docket No. 03-038IF
Room 102, Cotton Annex
300 12th and C Street, SW
Washington, DC 20250

RE: Docket No. 03-038IF "Meat Produced by Advanced Meat/Bone Separation Machinery and Meat Recovery (AMR) Systems"

Dear Docket Clerk:

The Kansas Livestock Association (KLA) appreciates the opportunity to comment on Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) Docket No. 03-038IF "Meat Produced by Advanced Meat/Bone Separation Machinery and Meat Recovery (AMR) Systems." KLA is a trade association representing nearly 6,000 members involved in all segments of the beef production system, including cow-calf producers, seedstock suppliers, stocker operators, cattle feeders and feedyard owners.

KLA supports this interim rule and urges its adoption as a final rule. When conducted according to these regulations, AMR is a safe and effective practice that provides a wholesome product for consumers and adds value to cattle, benefiting our members.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments and please let us know if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Terry Handke". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Mr. Terry Handke
President