HACCP and SSOP

Operating under the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HAACP) and Sanitation Standard Operating Procedure (SSOP) has proven to be beneficial in several aspects:

- Preventative approach to food safety
- Can identify inefficiencies and/or processing improvements
- Facilitates a better understanding of food safety
- Reduces the likelihood of product recall

For additional information, please contact the meat inspection staff at the North Dakota Department of Agriculture using the information below.

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Benefits of Slaughtering Animals Under State Inspection:

- Inspectors perform a visual and physical evaluation of every animal to ensure a safe and healthy product.
- Carcasses and parts can be sold at retail or wholesale within North Dakota.
- Bones and fat trim can be used for further processing and/or be sold.
- Creates additional control measures that promote safer products and may extend the shelf life of products.
- Allows producers to directly market carcasses and/or meat products to consumers.
- Reduces the likelihood of consumer complaints.

Benefits of Processing Under State Inspection:

- Products can be sold at retail or wholesale within North Dakota.
- Products can be sold to be served at restaurants, catered events, and feeds.
- Most consumers prefer products that have third party verification (inspection).
- Uses a science-based approach to create safe and high quality products.
- Reduces the likelihood of consumer complaints.

Potential for Expanded Market:

State inspected facilities have the option of participating in the Cooperative Interstate Shipment Program, which allows state inspected product to ship anywhere in the U.S.

Free of Charge:

All state inspections conducted during normal hours are paid with state and federal tax dollars; there are no fees for livestock, poultry or product inspection.