

WEXLER MEAT CO.

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Dear Valued Customer:

Wexler Meat Company's Food Safety Mission is to ensure that all products we produce are safe and wholesome per FDA Regulations, USDA Regulations and the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. All products are produced under a SSOP program and HACCP plan that meets or exceeds the regulations stated in 9CFR 416 & 417.

We are in the process of reassessing our HACCP program in order to comply with FSIS/USDA Notice 44-02 for raw beef products, addressing E-Coli 0157:H7 as a hazard reasonably likely to occur.

Wexler Meat Company has incorporated a critical control point in our cattle-receiving department to reduce or eliminate the presence of E-Coli 0157:H7 below detectable levels.

All products produced at EST. 2570 meet the following criteria:

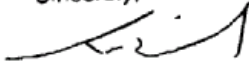
1. We have secured letters of guarantee from our suppliers indicating compliance with the protocol described in 9CFR310.25. Our suppliers, also in an effort to reduce the probability of biological pathogens, incorporate interventions such as steam vacuums, steam cabinets and carcass AC.10 rinses into their process as part of their HACCP Plans.
2. All products produced at Wexler Meat Company are fit for human consumption and that every precaution has been taken to prevent product contamination during operations, storage and shipment of product.
3. All products are marked with an open code date allowing clean reading of "pack dates".
4. Wexler Meat Company participates in annual third party audits which address the following areas:
 - A. SSOP's
 - B. Critical limit and HACCP justification/verification
 - C. GMP's
 - D. Pest Control
5. Wexler Meat Company has a documented product recall policy with 24 hour emergency phone numbers.
6. Products offered for sale to all Wexler Meat Company customers, derive from cattle that have been fed materials in compliance with the Food and Drug Administration rules Title 21 Part 589,2000 of the code of Federal Regulations effective on August 4th, 1997, which prohibits the feeding of ruminant meat and bone meal to ruminant animals.

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Wexler Meat Company is committed to food safety. We value your business and will strive to supply you with the highest quality products (and service) possible that are pathogen free.

Sincerely,



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Quality Control Director

