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Commissioner

North Carolina Department of Agriculture
and Consumer Services
Meat and Poultry Inspection Division

Donald H. Delozier
State Director

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CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

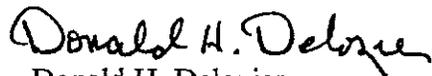
Ms. Paula Capote Cortez
El Pariso Mexican Store
313 Harris Ave.
Raeford, NC 28376

NOTICE OF WARNING

We have an investigative case report showing that you violated the North Carolina Compulsory Meat Inspection Law. This reported violation was discussed with you on February 17, 2011. Specifically, our investigation revealed that you had stored, offered for sale and/or sold 20 packages of pork chorizo sausage, weighing approximately 20 pounds, which did not contain State (NCDA) or Federal (USDA) marks of inspection or required labeling, to the general public. You stated that you purchased the misbranded/non-inspected meat products from a Latino male from Red Springs, NC.

Please be advised that the sale of misbranded and/or non-inspected meat products is a violation of North Carolina General Statute (N.C.G.S.) §106-549.23 with civil and/or criminal penalties. Please be advised that you will not receive any further warning with regard to this violation. If you should continue to sell misbranded and/or non-inspected meat products, we 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. An officer from this department will visit you periodically to verify compliance.

Sincerely,


Donald H. Delozier
State Director

cc: Mr. Barry Bloch, Assistant Attorney General
Mr. Ray Starling, General Counsel
Mr. Howard Isley, Assistant Commissioner