



Steve Troxler  
Commissioner

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

Dr. Beth Yongue  
State Director

September 27, 2017

**CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. Julius Price  
Salem Hills Farm  
6347 Sandy Smith Road  
Marshville, North Carolina 28103

**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 August 11, 2017. Specifically, our investigation revealed that you have processed, stored, transported, offered for sale and sold misbranded/non-inspected Beef Jerky to the general public, without the benefit of State (NCDA) or Federal (USDA) inspection, at the Kings Drive Farmers Market, 938 South Kings Drive, Charlotte, North Carolina 28204. In a signed statement dated August 11, 2017 you stated that you processed, stored, transported, offered for sale and sold misbranded/non-inspected meat products to the general public for approximately one (1) day.

Please be advised that the sale of misbranded and/or non-inspected meat products and the sale of misbranded and/or non-inspected poultry products is a violation of North Carolina General Statute (N.C.G.S.) §106-549.23 and §106-549.56 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 and poultry 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,

Dr. Beth Yongue  
State Director

cc: Mr. Joe Reardon, Assistant Commissioner  
Ms. Tina Hlabse, General Counsel  
Mr. Chris McLennan, Assistant Attorney General