



Steve Troxler  
Commissioner

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

W. Alan Wade  
State Director

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**CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. Jose Luis Fernandez Rodriguez  
Friends Mini Mart  
1406 Western Blvd.  
Tarboro, North Carolina 27866

**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 June 26, 2016. Specifically, our investigation revealed that you had processed, stored, offered for sale and sold misbranded/non-inspected fried pork to the general public at Friends Mini Mart in Tarboro, North Carolina. In a signed statement dated June 26, 2016 you stated that you processed, stored, offered for sale and sold misbranded/non-inspected meat products to the general public for three (3) months.

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,

*W. Alan Wade*

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