



Steve Troxler  
Commissioner

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

W. Alan Wade  
State Director

October 26, 2015

**CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. Mike Swing  
Lexington Style Trimmings  
1515 East Center Street Extension  
Lexington, North Carolina 27292

**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 September 2, 2015. Specifically, our investigation revealed that you had processed, stored, offered for sale and/or sold misbranded chili containing beef, which did not contain State (NCDA) or Federal (USDA) marks of inspection or required labeling, for the sole purpose of resale to the general public. In a signed statement dated September 2, 2015 you stated that you processed, stored, offered for sale and sold misbranded and/or non-inspected chili containing beef without the benefit of state or federal inspection for approximately two (2) years.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "W. Alan Wade".

W. Alan Wade  
State Director

cc: Mr. Joe Reardon, Assistant Commissioner  
Ms. Tina Hlabse, General Counsel  
Ms. Janine Owens