



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. Ronnie Wetzler
2605 Artz Road
Salisbury, North Carolina 28041

NOTICE OF WARNING

We have an investigative case report showing that you violated the North Carolina Compulsory Meat Inspection Law. Our investigation revealed that you had processed, transported, stored, offered for sale and/or sold beef jerky, which did not contain State (NCDA) or Federal (USDA) marks of inspection or required labeling, to the general public. In a signed statement dated March 22, 2013, our undercover officer posing as a member of the general public purchased one-half pound of original flavored beef jerky that did not contain a state (N.C.D.A) or federal (U.S.D.A.) mark of inspection.

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,

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cc: Mr. Barry Bloch, Assistant Attorney General
Mr. Joe Reardon, Assistant Commissioner