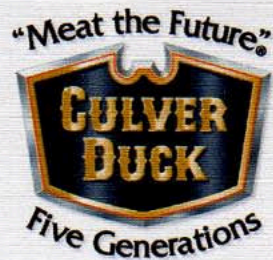


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LETTER OF 3RD PARTY VERIFICATION
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April 3, 2002

Dear Mr. Frey:

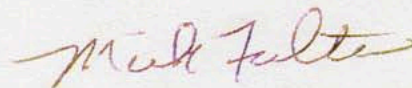
This letter is in response to my recent visit of March 29, 2002. The purpose of my visit was to audit your "Natural" duck program. During my visit, I had the opportunity to visit the feed mill that supplies feed for the "Natural" duck program, namely the Pine Manor Feed Mill located at 19227 CR 146, New Paris, Indiana 46553. While there, I also visited a flock of female "Natural" ducks raised at Dean Miller's farm located at 10655 W 100S, Middlebury, Indiana 46540.

While at the feed mill, I talked to Todd Prough, feed manager. He informed me that no animal by-products are used in either duck or broiler feed made at the mill. He has an established procedure including keeping records of when antibiotics are used and the process by which the system is flushed before duck feed is made. While there, I noticed a tanker truck that had a placard indicating that it had animal fat in the tank. I asked the trucker to see his freight bill for delivery at the feed mill. The bill indicated that the tank contained vegetable oil. The driver then informed me of the procedure that he follows to flush the tank after animal fat is hauled.

The female flock that Dean Miller had on his farm did not have their beaks trimmed. There was very little wire flooring in the house with wire only under the nipple drinkers. The birds had plenty of space and the conditions inside of the barn were reasonable.

If you have questions about my observations, do not hesitate to call me at 517-353-3701.

Sincerely,



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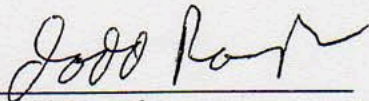
March 29, 2002

We understand that Culver Duck Farms, Inc. is providing a "Natural" product for their customers. The ducks on this program do not receive animal by-products or antibiotics.

As the primary feed supplier for Culver Duck Farms, Inc., our feed mill does not use or possess animal by-products in our plant. ^{D.F. 1/2/02}

Antibiotics are used sparingly ~~and not stocked~~ on our facility. When used in feed, the system will be flushed before producing any feed for Culver Duck Farms, Inc. The ingredients used for flushing will not be used in any duck ration.

We will continue to cooperate with Culver Duck Farms, Inc. in their endeavor to produce a Natural product for their customers. If there any errors or mistakes, we will notify Culver Duck immediately.



Todd Prough
Pine Manor