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On May 16, 2016, at 11:18 AM, [REDACTED] (DSHS) <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Good morning [REDACTED],

I also left you a message. See below...Please give me a call about this when you get a chance. Our Manufactured Foods and Milk and Dairy group inspectors would like to partner with your department and go out with your staff on the day of the next sales for investigation.

Just to give you some background....The delivery of Raw Milk is becoming a growing a problem in many areas of the State, including inside of local jurisdictions. It is becoming an issue we did not have to concern ourselves with in the past. The Department of State Health Service administers the Milk and Dairy program statewide. At retail we came to know our regulatory partners in the Milk and Dairy program would ensure milk is properly pasteurized, transported and that raw milk would only be sold on the farm thereby reducing the necessity to ensure the safety of the milk during our retail audits. Now we have a rogue group of dairy farms that have started to deliver off the farm. With this illegal delivery of raw milk outside of the cattle guard, the sale of raw milk is evolving into a retail issue. Sales are being completed by mobile vendors, who would need to have a properly licensed and equipped mobile unit, with a product, that in Texas and based of the TFER, must be obtained pasteurized for sale to be allowed at retail (§228.63(b)). I am not sure if Austin has an ordinance to allow for the sale of raw milk outside of retail but I'm thinking this is not the case. Below you will find information the Residence in your jurisdiction where the delivery of Raw Milk has taken place and it appears to be scheduled to take place again with regularity.

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