

Via Certified U.S. Postal Mail and Hand Delivery

11/3/2020

Stampede Meat, Inc. 5700 McNutt Rd. Sunland Park, NM 88008 Certified mail no. 7019 2280 0002 0185 7712

Re: Notice of Immediate Closure Pursuant to Public Health Order - Stampede Meat, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to the COVID-Safe Practices for Individuals and Employers Guide, which is incorporated by reference in the current Public Health Order, a "rapid response" is conducted whenever a COVID-19 case is identified in a place of business or a high-risk facility or population. As part of the rapid response process, the New Mexico Department of Health requires that the identified entity follow appropriate isolation, quarantine, and infection control protocols to mitigate potential COVID-19 transmission and limit risk to employees and the public.

Section 15 of the operative Public Health Order mandates closure of certain business entities that receive four (4) or more rapid responses within a rolling fourteen (14) day period. Specifically:

Any "food and drink establishment," "close-contact business," "place of lodging," "retail space," or other business that poses a significant public health risk, as determined by the Department of Health, must close for a period of two weeks following the occurrence of four (4) or more rapid responses within a fourteen (14) day period. For purposes of this directive, rapid responses will be counted on a rolling basis.

Stampede Meat, Inc., located at 5700 McNutt Road in Sunland Park, NM, 88088, had the following rapid responses related to COVID-19 infections within a 14-calendar-day period:

Response #1: 10/23/20, 1 COVID-19 infection cited. Response #2: 10/23/20, 1 COVID-19 infection cited. Response #3: 10/26/20, 1 COVID-19 infection cited. Response #4: 10/26/20, 1 COVID-19 infection cited. Response #5: 10/27/20, 1 COVID-19 infection cited. Response #6: 10/27/20, 1 COVID-19 infection cited.

Upon receipt of this Notice, Stampede Meat, Inc. <u>must immediately close all business</u> operations at the location of the rapid responses cited above for fourteen consecutive calendar days, in accordance with the Public Health Order issued October 22, 2020.



Stampede Meat, Inc. must immediately cease operations at this location through November 16, 2020. Stampede Meat, Inc. may resume normal operations at this location on November 17, 2020.

In addition, Stampede Meat, Inc. will appear on the Rapid Response COVID-19 Watchlist under the "Rapid Response Closure" tab on the New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED) website for the duration of the fourteen-day closure. The NMED will also include your business/organization and location in a daily press release and social media updates during the fourteen-day closure.

Failure to comply with this directive may result in substantial monetary penalties in accordance with the Public Health Emergency Response Act, NMSA 1978, §§ 12-10a-1 to -19, and may further subject you to criminal penalties or civil judicial enforcement, or both. The failure to comply with this and other directives of the Public Health Order may also subject you to other penalties under applicable state laws.

While your operations are suspended at this location, you are encouraged to have all your employees tested for COVID-19. To find a COVID-19 testing center near you, please visit: https://cvprovider.nmhealth.org/directory.html. Additional resources can also be found at https://cv.nmhealth.org and https://cv.nmhealth.org and https://cv.nmhealth.org and https://cv.nmhealth.org and https://www.env.nm.gov/nmed-resources-for-covid-19/.

A representative from the New Mexico Department of Health, the New Mexico Environment Department, or other applicable state agencies will contact you to discuss COVID-safe practices and provide guidance to prevent workplace exposure. Please be prepared to provide information on additional measures you have taken or plan to take to prevent additional positive cases.

Sincerely,

Billy J. Jimenez

Acting Cabinet Secretary