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Mr. Sholom Y. Gross International Kashrus Association P.O. Box 163 Dyker Heights Station Brooklyn, NY 11228

Dear Mr. Gross:

In further response to your recent questions regarding slaughter operations at five specific establishments, we are now able to provide the following information:

- 1. Est. P-134 (David Elliot Poultry Farm, Inc.): slaughter is conducted 7 to 8 hours per day, with one rabbi ("ritual slaughterer") in attendance.
- 2. <u>Est. P-8843 (Dean Kosher Poultry)</u>: slaughter is conducted 10 hours per day, with 14 rabbis in attendance (four on the slaughter line; 10 in allied departments).
- 3. Est. P-744 (Vineland Kosher Poultry Company): slaughter is conducted 8 hours per day, with 14 rabbis on duty.
- 4. Est. 45 (Linden Packing): cattle slaughter is conducted 8 hours per day. There are 14 rabbis on duty for normal slaughter operations, with six additional rabbis for more specialized ritual slaughter.
- 5. <u>Est. P-1015 (Empire Poultry)</u>: slaughter is conducted 9 hours per day. Six rabbis are engaged in slaughter, with 14 rabbis in allied departments.

We hope this information will be helpful. If we can be of further assistance please feel free to call us. Our telephone number is (202) 447-2109.

Sincerely,

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