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STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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December 7, 2018

Ms. Kim Huss Rainbow Basket Egg Farm 1700 N. Rochester Road Oakland, MI 48353

Dear Ms. Huss:

On November 16, 2018, I met with you to review the manure management practices followed at your poultry facility in Oakland County. This review was conducted by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD), Right to Farm Program, in response to a complaint received by our office. The complaint concerned odor, manure runoff, and a pile of manure placed on neighboring property.

At the time of the inspection, I did not detect excessive odors and I did not see evidence of manure runoff. Also, at the time of the inspection, the material in question was not on neighboring property. and was old straw and not manure. Finally, at the time of the inspection, I determined that your poultry facilities are well maintained and that you are following your manure management plan.

Based on this review and the information provided, MDARD will classify this complaint as not verified. Therefore, the file will be closed.

This complaint response did not determine conformance with all the Generally Accepted Agricultural and Management Practices (GAAMPs) that may apply to your operation. Only the GAAMPs relevant to the complaint were reviewed at this time. For a full determination of your farm operation's conformance with GAAMPs, please contact the Right to Farm Program at 877-632-1783.

As required by the Michigan Right to Farm Act, a copy of this letter is being sent to the township and county where the farm is located.

Thank you again for taking the time to meet with me to review your agricultural management practices, and for your efforts and commitment to maintain the positive image of Michigan agriculture. Please feel free to contact me at 517-930-2966, if you have any further questions.

Stephen J. Mahoney, CCA/CPAg

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