

August 2, 2012

The Honorable John Thune
United States Senator
1313 West Main Street
Rapid City, South Dakota 57701

Dear Senator Thune:

Thank you for your recent inquiry on behalf of Mr. Jimmy Dean Reeves and Mr. Lyle Anderson, owners of Spur Livestock, LLC (SL), regarding their application to participate in the U.S. Small Business Administration's (SBA) 8(a) Business Development (BD) Program.

On June 28, 2012, SBA advised Mr. Reeves, Managing Member of SL, of its initial decline of their 8(a) application. The firm elected to request SBA's reconsideration on July 24, 2012. The Agency is currently reviewing their request. We anticipate that a final decision will be made on or about September 11, 2012. The final Agency decision will be sent to Mr. Reeves. If he or Mr. Anderson have any questions, they may contact Ms. Sharon A. Gurley at (202) 205-5852.

We appreciate your continued support of the SBA and the South Dakota small business community. If you and your staff have any questions, please contact the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs at (202) 205-6700.

Sincerely,

Darryl K. Hairston
Associate Administrator
Office of Business Development