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Dear Dr. Fixler and Ms. Burrell,

Thank you for the letter of support and sharing the specific uses that BEA has of the data. At this time, NASS has no plans of changing any of the Livestock Slaughter surveys or frequency of surveys in the next few years. Only minor changes will be made to the number of responses and respondent burden due to changes in the target population.

We will keep you informed of any future modifications.

Sincerely,

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Chair, Agricultural Statistics Board
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