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May 18, 2005

Mr. Jeff Schminke
USDA, Rural Development
2615 Farm Bureau Road
Manhattan, Kansas 66502

RE: Agency Review Transmittal Form for Grandma Hoerner's Foods, Inc.—Bluestem Electric Cooperative Assn., Inc.

Dear Mr. Schminke:

I have received your request for comment by the Kansas Geological Survey (KGS) on an application to USDA Rural Development from Bluestem Electric Cooperative Assn., Inc to assist Grandma Hoerner's Foods, Inc. The loan will be used to expand the existing building by 20' and to purchase additional equipment. The business is located at 30252 Thompson Road, Alma, Wabaunsee County, Kansas (SE¼ NW¼ S30 T11S R10E).

I examined the Alma 7½-minute topographic map, a 2002 orthophotograph, and a US Geological Survey report on the geology of Wabaunsee County (Mudge and Burton, 1959, USGS Bulletin 1068). The geologic map indicates that the site is on Sanborn formation and Grenola Limestone. Sandborn formation is mostly loess (wind deposited silt). The Grenola Limestone is composed of alternating beds of limestone and shale. Neither unit is an aquifer. The site is not located along a stream or river. The Kansas Geological Survey has no knowledge of geologic issues affecting this application. I have signed and enclosed the Agency Review Transmittal Form.

If you have any questions, please contract me at (785) 864-2194 or ohlmac@kgs.ku.edu.

Sincerely,

Gregory Ohlmacher, P.G.
Associate Scientist

Enc: Agency Review Transmittal Form

Comments by: G. Ohlmacher
Ks. Geological Survey
1930 Constant Avenue
Lawrence, Ks. 66047

Transmittal Date May 12, 2005

PROJECT TITLE: Grandma Hoerner's Foods Inc. _____ Notification of Intent
Bluestem Electric Cooperative Assoc _____ Preapplication

CONTACT PERSON: _____ Final Application
_____ Direct Development

This form provides notification and the opportunity for your agency to review and comment on this proposed project required by executive Order 12372. Please complete Parts II & III as appropriate. Your prompt response will be appreciated.

RETURN TO: **USDA RURAL
DEVELOPMENT
2615 FARM BUREAU ROAD
MANHATTAN, KANSAS 66502**

PART I

REVIEW AGENCIES/COMMISSIONS

☐ Aging	☐ Education	☐ State Forester
☐ Agriculture-DWR	☒ Geological Survey, KS	☐ Transportation
☐ Biological Survey, KS	☐ Health & Environment	☐ Water Office, Kansas
☐ Conservation Commission	☐ Historical Society	☐ Wildlife & Parks
☐ Corporation Commission	☐ Human Resources	_____
☐ Commerce	☐ Social & Rehab. Services	_____

PART II (To be completed by review agency and returned to contact person)

AGENCY REVIEW COMMENTS

COMMENTS: *Some notes in cover letter*

PART III (To be completed by review agency and returned to contact person)

RECOMMENDED ACTION COMMENTS

☒ Clearance of the project should be granted.	☐ Clearance of the project should not be delayed but the Applicant should be (in the final application) address and clarify the questions or concerns indicated above.
☐ Clearance of the project should not be granted.	
☐ Clearance of the project should be delayed until the issues or questions have been clarified.	☐ Request the opportunity to review final application prior to submission to the federal funding agency.
☐ Request a State Process Recommendation in concurrence with above comments.	

Reviewer's Name *[Signature]* DIVISION/AGENCY/COMMISSION

Date: 5/19/05

PLEASE FAX THIS FORM TO 785-539-2733 As Soon As Possible. THANK-YOU



**United States Department of Agriculture
Rural Development**

May 12, 2005

G. Ohlmacher
Ks Geological Survey
1930 Constant Avenue
Lawrence, Ks. 66047

RE: Grandma Hoerner's Foods Inc. – Bluestem Electric Cooperative Association, Inc.

The Bluestem Electric Cooperative Association, Inc., Wamego, Kansas has submitted an application for a Rural Economic Development Loan to USDA-Rural Development to assist Grandma Hoerner's Foods Inc. The purpose of the proposed loan will be to assist in the expansion of the existing building by 20' and purchase additional equipment for the business in Wabaunsee County, Kansas.

The building project will occur at the existing location of 30252 Thompson Road, Alma, KS 66401. An attachment of the building specifications is enclosed showing the addition of 20' onto the rear of the building.

This letter is providing notification of the above-proposed project, as well as the opportunity for your agency to review and comment on the proposed project as required by Executive order 12372.

More specific information describing the proposal may be obtained from the following contacts:

APPLICANT

Bluestem Electric Cooperative Inc.
Ron Dickey, Services Manager
PO Box 5
Wamego, Kansas 66547
800-558-1580

ULTIMATE RECEIPIENT

Grandma Hoerner's Foods, Inc.
Duane McCoy, President
30252 Thompson Road
Alma, KS 66401
785-765-2300

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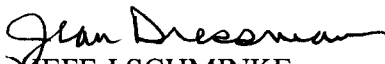
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Please provide your comments to this office, attention Jeff Schminke, Area Specialist, no later than 06-11-05. Faxed responses are acceptable.

Rural Development will not obligate funds for this project until we have completed an Environmental Assessment of the project.

Sincerely,


(10) JEFF J SCHMINKE
Area Specialist

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Attachment

Location: SE 1/4 NW 1/4 S30 T11 R10
- on hill no flood issues

NEW
20' →
← Existing

