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The Honorable Terry Rice The Honorable Jeff Wardlaw Arkansas Legislative Council 1 Capitol Mall, Fifth Floor Little Rock, AR 72201

RE:

Final Report required by Act 1076 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Arkansas General Assembly

Dear Senator Rice and Representative Wardlaw:

Pursuant to Act 1076 of 2021, the Arkansas Department of Health filed the enclosed Initial Report dated December 1, 2021 reporting the rules currently enforced concerning cattle and milk production. The Arkansas Department of Health currently enforces the following rules:

Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Frozen Desserts (1990) Effective Date: 6-29-1990.

Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Grade "A" Milk and Milk Products (2000) Amendment to Milk and Milk Products of 1988 Effective Date 11-1-2000.

In accordance with Act 1076 of 2021, the Arkansas Department of Health is confirming the Department will continue to enforce these two rules and does not wish to repeal either of them. These rules ensure the continued ability to ship raw or processed dairy products across state lines in accordance with standards set by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Sincerely,

Environmental Health Branch Chief Arkansas Department of Health