

Greener Pastures[™] Protocol
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ISA guarantees the following standards with the integrated Greener Pastures[™] protocol:

- 1.1** Hides are fully traceable by lot to the group of farms or ranches with chain of custody documentation including the following information:
 - name of source feedyard
 - origin ranch or farm
 - respective contact person
 - cattle identification and head count
- 1.2** Every source feedyard with the Greener Pastures[™] program has an individual/s Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) certified. BQA works to improve the quality of animal welfare by connecting producers with the latest research and animal care techniques. It demonstrates the commitment to both safety and quality in animal welfare.
- 1.3** Transportation of animals must be Beef Quality Assurance Transportation (BQAT) certified. BQAT ensures that there is proper handling and transportation of animals. The program covers cattle handling guidelines, checklists for traveling, loading/unloading, hot/cold weather factors and fit/unfit/injured/weak cattle, bio-security and emergency actions plans, etc..
- 1.4** The harvesting of animals meets USDA Humane Handling program protocol, verified by 3rd party independent auditors. The protocols of the Greener Pastures[™] program ensures that the harvesting of animals is to be carried out only by humane methods.
- 1.5** Animals are raised without the use of antibiotics.
- 1.6** Animals are raised with no added hormones or steroids.
- 1.7** Animals under the Greener Pastures[™] Program are fed a 100% vegetarian diet. There are no animal byproducts.

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