



January 31, 2020

Honorable Pete Ricketts Governor of Nebraska State Capitol 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor NE INTEROFFICE, 00 68509 Mr. Patrick J. O'Donnell Clerk of the Legislature State Capitol Rm 2018 INTEROFFICE, 00 68509

Dear Governor Ricketts and Mr. O'Donnell:

Please accept the following report from the Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA) for the period of January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019, to fulfill the requirements of Neb. Rev. Stat. §4-113. NDA processed 17,224 applications for benefits from individuals under the various statutes our agency administers and based on the information received, all demonstrated a lawful presence in the United States.

In addition, under Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 4-108 through 4-114, NDA:

- Utilized Administrative Services, State Personnel to E-verify all new employees hired.
- Included contract clause in all contracts issued by NDA requiring the contractor to have an employee E-verification system in place for individuals working in the state of Nebraska.
- 3. Required all individuals with whom NDA has contracts to complete a United States Citizenship Attestation form.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Patty Richard at (402) 471-2341.

Sincerely,

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE** 

Heren Wellman

Steve Wellman Director

**Enclosure**