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BEEF PROCESSING PLANT BREAKS GROUND IN YALOBUSHA COUNTY

OAKLAND, Miss. – Governor Ronnie Musgrove, Rep. Tommy Reynolds, Rep. Billy McCoy, Robert J. Rohrlack, Jr., executive director of the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA), Lester Spell, Jr., Commissioner, Mississippi Dept. of Agriculture and other city and county officials participated in a groundbreaking ceremony for Mississippi Beef Processors, LLC. The company, owned by Mississippi native Richard Hall, plans to build a 150,000-square-foot facility in the Yalobusha County town of Oakland, MS.

“This company will provide at least 350 jobs for citizens in this area,” said Governor Musgrove. “We are excited about the economic impact this will make on Mississippi and the people of Yalobusha County.”

The plant will ship meat products nationwide, with the primary source of cattle coming from producers within a 500-mile radius of the facility.

“This facility will employ people from a seven-county area,” said Rep. Tommy Reynolds of the 33rd District, which includes Yalobusha, Lafayette and Tallahatchie counties. “The plant is being built with the latest technology available, and will meet the strictest USDA guidelines. We expect a significant financial boost to this region, and are pleased to welcome this company to our area.”

“The groundbreaking today for this plant represents a lot of hard work by local officials, legislators, bankers and state officials,” said Dr. Lester Spell, Commissioner of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture. “The benefits from this project will reach 20,000 cattle producers located in every county in this state. The direct and indirect jobs produced up here in north Mississippi will provide a significant economic impact to this area.”

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Mississippi Beef Processors, LLC, is owned by Richard Hall, who has moved his family's business back to Mississippi from Nashville, TN.

“The Hall family and our products have been in the marketplace for over forty years, selling to major food chains and companies nationwide,” said Hall. “We are excited about this groundbreaking today in Yalobusha County. In every respect, it is like coming home.”

Carothers Construction Company, of Water Valley, MS, will build the \$15.7 million facility, located just off I-55 near Oakland, MS.

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