

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

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IN THE MATTER OF: BERWICK BLACK CATTLE COMPANY, )  
SOURCE OF CHAMPIONS, )  
THEIR OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, ) File No. 0400772  
EMPLOYEES, AFFILIATES, SUCCESSORS, )  
AGENTS AND ASSIGNS, )  
AND MARK RAY )

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NOTICE OF HEARING

TO THE RESPONDENT: Mark Ray  
Berwick Black Cattle Company  
Source of Champions  
C/O Charles Young  
Husch & Eppenberger  
401 Main Street  
Suite 1400  
Peoria, Illinois 61602

You are hereby notified that pursuant to Section 11.F of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953, [815 ILCS 5/1 et seq.] (the "Act") and 14 Ill. Adm. Code 130, Subpart K, a public hearing will be held at 300 West Jefferson Street, Suite 300A, Springfield, Illinois 62702, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2005 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard, before Jon K. Ellis, or such other duly designated Hearing Officer of the Secretary of State.

This Notice of Hearing is provided pursuant to the Request for Hearing by the Respondents Berwick Black Cattle Company, Source of Champions, their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, and Mark Ray ("Respondents) received by the Illinois Department of Securities on August 3, 2005, on a Temporary Order of Prohibition entered against Respondents on July 5, 2005.

Said hearing will be held to determine whether an Order of Prohibition should be entered against Berwick Black Cattle Company, Source of Champions, their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, and Mark Ray in the State of Illinois and granting such other relief as may be authorized under the Act including but not limited to imposition of a monetary fine in the maximum amount pursuant to

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Section 11 of the Act, payable within ten (10) days of the entry of the Order.

The grounds for such proposed action are as follows:

Count I (Violation of 12.A and 12.D)

1. That Respondent, Berwick Black Cattle Company, is an Illinois corporation with a last known address of 200 North Monroe Street, Abingdon, Illinois 61410;
2. That Respondent, Source of Champions, is a purported business entity with a last known address of 200 North Monroe Street, Abingdon, Illinois 61410;
3. That at all times relevant, the Respondent Mark Ray was President of Berwick Black Cattle Company and an Officer, Director, Employee, Affiliate, Successor, Agent or Assign of Source of Champions;
4. That at all times relevant, Mark Ray, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions were purportedly in the business of selling and purchasing cattle; Respondents would sell financial instruments in the form of an investment plan, notes, promissory notes, investment contracts, or investment loan contracts to investors to purportedly cover the costs of purchasing, sorting and reselling the cattle due to a purported shortage of funds from Respondents' operating loan from Respondents' bank. The aforesaid investors were then to receive a return of their principal as well as an additional return in the form of a "performance" check, or interest check purportedly in connection with the aforesaid sale and/or purchase of cattle;
5. That on or about May 19, 2005, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to SH, an Illinois Resident, a "Promissory Note" in which for an investment of \$12,000, SH would receive a return of his principal as well as an additional return of \$157.80 by July 16, 2005;
6. That on or about June 25, 2004, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers,

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Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to SH, an Illinois Resident, a "Note" for the amount of \$100,000; that on or about December 6, 2004, SH received a check #12870 in the amount of \$100,000 for the principal repayment as well as a performance check #12870 in the amount of \$3,191.07;

7. That the above-referenced promissory note and note are securities as that term is defined pursuant to Section 2.1. of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5/1 et seq.] (the "Act");
8. That Section 5 of the Act provides, inter alia, that all securities except those exempt under Section 3 of the Act or those offered and sold in transactions exempt under Section 4 of the Act shall be registered with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois;
9. That Section 12.A of the Act provides, inter alia, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to offer or sell securities except in accordance with the provisions of the Act;
10. That Section 12.D of the Act provides, inter alia, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to fail to file with the Secretary of State any document or application required to be filed under the provisions of the Act;
11. That at all times relevant hereto, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, failed to file an application for registration of the above-referenced securities with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois;
12. That by virtue of the foregoing, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, have violated Sections 12.A and 12.D of the Act;
13. That Section 11.E(2) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person has violated subsection D of Section 12 of the Act, the

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Secretary of State may by written order prohibit the person from offering or selling any securities in this State;

14. That Section 11.E.(3) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person is engaging or has engaged in the business of selling or offering for sale securities as a dealer or salesperson without prior thereto and at the time thereof having complied with the registration or notice filing requirements of this Act, the Secretary of State may by written order prohibit the person from offering or selling any securities in this State;
15. That Section 11.E(4) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State, after finding that any provision of the Act has been violated, may impose a fine as provided by rule, regulation or order not to exceed \$10,000.00 for each violation of the Act, as well as the costs of investigation and reasonable expenses;
16. That by virtue of the foregoing, Respondents Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, are subject to a fine of up to \$10,000.00 per violation, costs of investigation, reasonable expenses, an order of censure, and an order which permanently prohibits the Respondent from offering or selling securities in the State of Illinois.

Count II (Violation of 12.A and 12.D)

- 1-4. Paragraphs 1-4 of Count I are re-alleged and incorporated as paragraphs 1-4 of this Count II;
5. That on or about August 5, 2004, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to RB, an Illinois Resident, a "Note" for the amount of \$40,000 and in return for said investment, Respondent would pay RB the return of his principal as well as interest of approximately 22% bi-annually for as long as the principal remained outstanding; the "Note" indicates that the date for full payment of the "Note" was extended up to April 15, 2005; as of this date, the principal remains outstanding and

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the payment date of the "Note" has been extended up to and through the present date;

6. That on or about August 5, 2004, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to RB's mother, DB, an Illinois Resident, a "Note" for the amount of \$150,000 and in return for said investment, Respondent would pay DB the return of his principal as well as interest of approximately 22% bi-annually for as long as the principal remained outstanding; the "Note" indicates that the date for full payment of the "Note" was extended up to April 15, 2005; as of this date, the principal remains outstanding and the payment date of the "Note" has been extended up to and through the present date;
7. That each of the aforesaid notes is a security as that term is defined pursuant to Section 2.1. of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5/1 et seq.] (the "Act");
8. That Section 5 of the Act provides, inter alia, that all securities except those exempt under Section 3 of the Act or those offered and sold in transactions exempt under Section 4 of the Act shall be registered with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois;
9. That Section 12.A of the Act provides, inter alia, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to offer or sell securities except in accordance with the provisions of the Act;
10. That Section 12.D of the Act provides, inter alia, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to fail to file with the Secretary of State any document or application required to be filed under the provisions of the Act;
11. That at all times relevant hereto, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, failed to file an application for registration of the above-referenced securities with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois;

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12. That by virtue of the foregoing, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, have violated Sections 12.A and 12.D of the Act;
13. That Section 11.E(2) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person has violated subsection D of Section 12 of the Act, the Secretary of State may by written order prohibit the person from offering or selling any securities in this State;
14. That Section 11.E.(3) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person is engaging or has engaged in the business of selling or offering for sale securities as a dealer or salesperson without prior thereto and at the time thereof having complied with the registration or notice filing requirements of this Act, the Secretary of State may by written order prohibit the person from offering or selling any securities in this State;
15. That Section 11.E(4) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State, after finding that any provision of the Act has been violated, may impose a fine as provided by rule, regulation or order not to exceed \$10,000.00 for each violation of the Act, as well as the costs of investigation and reasonable expenses;
16. That by virtue of the foregoing, Respondents Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, are subject to a fine of up to \$10,000.00 per violation, costs of investigation, reasonable expenses, an order of censure, and an order which permanently prohibits the Respondent from offering or selling securities in the State of Illinois.

Count III (Violation of 12.A and 12.D)

- 1-4. Paragraphs 1-4 of Count I are re-alleged and incorporated as paragraphs 1-4 of this Count III;

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5. That on or about January 3, 2005, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to LC, an Illinois Resident, a "Note" where, for an investment of \$100,000, LC would receive the return of his principal as well as an additional return in the amount of \$80-\$125.50 per day per \$100,000 invested;
6. That on or about April 7, 2005, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to LC, an Illinois Resident, a "Note" where, for an investment of \$150,000, LC would receive the return of his principal as well as interest, the amount of which was to be determined at a subsequent time and date;
7. That on or about April 7, 2005, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to LC, an Illinois Resident, a "Note" where, for an investment of \$200,000, LC would receive the return of his principal as well as interest, the amount of which was to be determined at a subsequent time and date;
8. That each of the aforesaid notes is a security as that term is defined pursuant to Section 2.1. of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5/1 et seq.] (the "Act");
9. That Section 5 of the Act provides, inter alia, that all securities except those exempt under Section 3 of the Act or those offered and sold in transactions exempt under Section 4 of the Act shall be registered with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois;
10. That Section 12.A of the Act provides, inter alia, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to offer or sell securities except in accordance with the provisions of the Act;
11. That Section 12.D of the Act provides, inter alia, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to fail to file with the Secretary of State any document or application required to be filed under the provisions of the Act;

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12. That at all times relevant hereto, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, failed to file an application for registration of the above-referenced securities with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois;
13. That by virtue of the foregoing, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, have violated Sections 12.A and 12.D of the Act;
14. That Section 11.E(2) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person has violated subsection D of Section 12 of the Act, the Secretary of State may by written order prohibit the person from offering or selling any securities in this State;
15. That Section 11.E.(3) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person is engaging or has engaged in the business of selling or offering for sale securities as a dealer or salesperson without prior thereto and at the time thereof having complied with the registration or notice filing requirements of this Act, the Secretary of State may by written order prohibit the person from offering or selling any securities in this State;
16. That Section 11.E(4) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State, after finding that any provision of the Act has been violated, may impose a fine as provided by rule, regulation or order not to exceed \$10,000.00 for each violation of the Act, as well as the costs of investigation and reasonable expenses;
17. That by virtue of the foregoing, Respondents Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, are subject to a fine of up to \$10,000.00 per violation, costs of investigation, reasonable expenses, an order of censure, and an order which permanently prohibits the Respondent from offering or selling securities in the State of Illinois.

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Count IV (Violation of 12.A and 12.D)

- 1-4. Paragraphs 1-4 of Count I are re-alleged and incorporated as paragraphs 1-4 of this Count IV;
5. That on or about January 13, 2002, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to DT, an Illinois Resident, an "Investment Contract" which stated that in return for an investment of \$150,000, DT would receive a return of his principal as well as an additional return of \$3,000 within 14 days of the aforementioned date; DT received both the principal and the additional \$3,000 return within the aforesaid time period;
6. That on or about November 7, 2002, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to DT, an Illinois Resident, an "Investment Contract" which stated that in return for an investment of \$122,500, DT would receive a return of his the principal as well as an additional return of \$5,000.17 within 21 days of the aforementioned date; DT received both the principal as well as the additional \$5,000.17 return within the aforesaid time period;
7. That on or about December 9, 2002, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to DT, an Illinois Resident, an "Investment Contract" which stated that in return for an investment of \$157,002.17, DT would receive the return of his principal as well as a payment of interest within 7-10 days, the amount of which was to remain open; Interest in the amount of \$2,709.81 as well as the principal was subsequently paid to DT within the aforesaid time period;
8. That on or about December 30, 2002, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors,

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Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to DT, an Illinois Resident, an "Investment Contract" which stated that in return for an investment of \$159,000, DT would receive the return of his principal as well as a payment of interest within 7-10 days, the amount of which was to remain open; Interest in the amount of \$2,497.80 as well as the principal was subsequently paid to DT within the aforesaid time period;

9. That on or about January 30, 2003, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to DT, an Illinois Resident, an "Investment Contract" which stated that in return for an investment of \$150,000, DT would receive the return of his principal as well as an additional return of \$2,358.15 within 10 days of the aforementioned date; DT received both the principal and the \$2,358.15 return within the aforesaid time period;
10. That each of the above-referenced investment contracts is a security as that term is defined pursuant to Section 2.1. of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5/1 et seq.] (the "Act");
11. That Section 5 of the Act provides, inter alia, that all securities except those exempt under Section 3 of the Act or those offered and sold in transactions exempt under Section 4 of the Act shall be registered with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois;
12. That Section 12.A of the Act provides, inter alia, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to offer or sell securities except in accordance with the provisions of the Act;
13. That Section 12.D of the Act provides, inter alia, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to fail to file with the Secretary of State any document or application required to be filed under the provisions of the Act;
14. That at all times relevant hereto, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, failed to file an application for registration of the above-referenced

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securities with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois;

15. That by virtue of the foregoing, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, have violated Sections 12.A and 12.D of the Act;
16. That Section 11.E(2) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person has violated subsection D of Section 12 of the Act, the Secretary of State may by written order prohibit the person from offering or selling any securities in this State;
17. That Section 11.E.(3) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person is engaging or has engaged in the business of selling or offering for sale securities as a dealer or salesperson without prior thereto and at the time thereof having complied with the registration or notice filing requirements of this Act, the Secretary of State may by written order prohibit the person from offering or selling any securities in this State;
18. That Section 11.E(4) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State, after finding that any provision of the Act has been violated, may impose a fine as provided by rule, regulation or order not to exceed \$10,000.00 for each violation of the Act, as well as the costs of investigation and reasonable expenses;
19. That by virtue of the foregoing, Respondents Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, are subject to a fine of up to \$10,000.00 per violation, costs of investigation, reasonable expenses, an order of censure, and an order which permanently prohibits the Respondent from offering or selling securities in the State of Illinois.

Count V (Violation of 12.A and 12.D)

- 1-4. Paragraphs 1-4 of Count I are re-alleged and incorporated as paragraphs 1-4 of this Count V;

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5. That on or about September, 2003, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to JB an investment plan in which JB would invest \$450,316.19 and would receive the return of his principal as well as an additional return of \$9,000 within 10 days; JB received payment of both the principal and the additional \$9,000 return within the aforementioned time period;
6. That on or about October 14, 2003, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to JB an investment plan in which JB would invest \$674,525.72 and would receive the return of his principal as well as an additional return of \$14,971.09 within 15 days; JB received payment of both the principal and the additional \$14,971.09 return within the aforementioned time period;
7. That on or about October 17, 2003, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through its Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to JB an "Investment Contract" where, for an investment of \$399,991.94, JB would receive the return of his principal as well as interest, the amount of which was to be determined at a subsequent time and date; Interest in the amount of \$10,931.07 was paid in this matter on or about November 14, 2003;
8. That on or about October 30, 2003, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to JB an "Investment Contract" where, for an investment of \$219,741.96, JB would receive the return of principal as well as interest, the amount of which was to be determined at a subsequent time and date; Interest in the amount of \$12,701.25 as well principal was subsequently paid in this matter on or about November 26, 2003;
9. That on or about October 31, 2003, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to

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JB an "Investment Contract" where, for an investment of \$468,971.02, JB would receive the return of principal as well as interest, the amount of which was to be determined at a subsequent time and date;

10. That on or about November 4, 2003, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, offered and sold to JB an "Note" where, for an investment of 1,209,000, JB would receive the return of principal as well as interest in the amount of \$212,500 on or before December 19, 2004;
11. That the aforesaid note, investment plan and the aforementioned investment contracts are investment contracts and are therefore securities as that term is defined pursuant to Section 2.1. of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5/1 et seq.] (the "Act");
12. That Section 5 of the Act provides, inter alia, that all securities except those exempt under Section 3 of the Act or those offered and sold in transactions exempt under Section 4 of the Act shall be registered with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois;
13. That Section 12.A of the Act provides, inter alia, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to offer or sell securities except in accordance with the provisions of the Act;
14. That Section 12.D of the Act provides, inter alia, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to fail to file with the Secretary of State any document or application required to be filed under the provisions of the Act;
15. That at all times relevant hereto, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, failed to file an application for registration of the above-referenced securities with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois;
16. That by virtue of the foregoing, Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors,

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Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, have violated Sections 12.A and 12.D of the Act;

17. That Section 11.E(2) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person has violated subsection D of Section 12 of the Act, the Secretary of State may by written order prohibit the person from offering or selling any securities in this State;
18. That Section 11.E.(3) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State shall find that any person is engaging or has engaged in the business of selling or offering for sale securities as a dealer or salesperson without prior thereto and at the time thereof having complied with the registration or notice filing requirements of this Act, the Secretary of State may by written order prohibit the person from offering or selling any securities in this State;
19. That Section 11.E(4) of the Act provides, inter alia, that if the Secretary of State, after finding that any provision of the Act has been violated, may impose a fine as provided by rule, regulation or order not to exceed \$10,000.00 for each violation of the Act, as well as the costs of investigation and reasonable expenses;
20. That by virtue of the foregoing, Respondents Berwick Black Cattle Company and Source of Champions, by and through their Officers, Directors, Employees, Affiliates, Successors, Agents and Assigns, including Mark Ray, are subject to a fine of up to \$10,000.00 per violation, costs of investigation, reasonable expenses, an order of censure, and an order which permanently prohibits the Respondent from offering or selling securities in the State of Illinois.

You are further notified that you are required pursuant to Section 130.1104 of the Rules and Regulations (14 Ill. Adm. Code 130) (the "Rules"), to file an answer to the allegations outlined above or a Special Appearance pursuant to Section 130.1107 of the Rules, or other responsive pleading within thirty days of the receipt of this notice. Your failure to do so within the prescribed time shall be deemed an admission of the allegations contained in the Notice of Hearing and waives your right to a hearing.

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You are also further notified, pursuant to Section 130.1102 of the Rules, that by requesting a hearing on the Temporary Order of Prohibition, the Respondents agree to a tolling of the time limitation on the effectiveness of the Temporary Order of Prohibition for 60 days from the date the request is received by the Department.

Furthermore, you may be represented by legal counsel; may present evidence; may cross-examine witnesses and otherwise participate. A failure to so appear shall constitute default.

Delivery of notice to the designated representative of any Respondent constitutes service upon such Respondents.

Dated this *2nd* day of *September*, 2005.



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