



## INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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January 16, 2019

Mr. Jeff Dale  
Riser Farms, LLC  
621 W 1050 N  
North Manchester, IN 46962

Dear Mr. Dale,

Re: **Inspection Summary Letter**  
Riser Farms, LLC  
Farm No. 6894  
North Manchester, Wabash County

On January 15, 2019, a representative of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Office of Land Quality, conducted an inspection of the above-referenced facility. This inspection was conducted pursuant to IC 13-14-2-2. For your information, and in accordance with IC 13-14-5, a summary of the inspection is provided below:

Type of Inspection:	Routine
Results of Inspection:	No violations were observed (see attached inspection report).

Please direct any questions regarding this letter to Mr. Chris Lowell, 317-650-3191 or [clowell@idem.in.gov](mailto:clowell@idem.in.gov).

Sincerely,

Charles P. Grady, Section Chief  
Confined Feeding Operation Compliance  
Office of Land Quality

Enclosure  
cc: Wabash County Health Department





**CFO**  
**INSPECTION REPORT**  
INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Inspector's Name:	Chris Lowell	
Others Present	Jeff Dale	Operator
	Jim Dale	Operator
	Kristin Whittington	Consultant
Date:	1/15/19	
Time In:	11:15 AM	
Time Out:	12:00 PM	

**General Information**

<b>Inspection Type</b>	
Inspection Type	CFO Routine
<b>Facility Information</b>	
Facility Name:	Facility Name: Riser Farms, LLC
Facility Location:	Street Address: 587 W 1050 N City: North Manchester State: IN Zip Code: 46962 County: Wabash
Facility Mailing Information:	Mailing Address: 621 W 1050 N Mailing City: North Manchester Mailing State: IN Mailing Zip Code: 46962
Facility Contact Information:	Contact Person: Jeff Dale Contacts Phone Number: 260-750-0113 Contact Fax Number: Contact E-mail Address:
Owner Contact Information	Owner Name: Creekside Farms, Inc. Owner Phone Number: Owner Fax Number: Owner E-mail Address:
<b>Facility ID</b>	
Log Number	6894
<b>Animal Types</b>	
Animals Present	Finishers
<b>Manure Management Systems</b>	
Type of Manure Management System	Below Ground Liquid Storage Tank
<b>Approved Structures</b>	
Number of Permitted Structures	1
Number of Observed Structures	1
<b>Outstanding Issues</b>	
Last Inspection Date:	5/1/2018
Previous Violation(s):	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

**Checklist**

<b>Discharge and Spill Requirements</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Unpermitted Discharge <input type="checkbox"/> Spill Not Reported <input type="checkbox"/> Spills Not Managed	<b>Approval and Performance Standards</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No Valid Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Approval Condition <input type="checkbox"/> Access Denied
<b>Operational Standards</b>	<b>Manure Application Activities</b>



<input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance and Operation <input type="checkbox"/> Improper Freeboard <input type="checkbox"/> Markers Not Maintained <input type="checkbox"/> Unapproved Manure Storage <input type="checkbox"/> Self Monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> Earthen Berm Not Maintained <input type="checkbox"/> Removal of Accumulated Solids <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetation Management System <input type="checkbox"/> Feedlot Run-Off <input type="checkbox"/> Transport & Handling <input type="checkbox"/> Mortality Management	<input type="checkbox"/> Staging <input type="checkbox"/> Run-Off <input type="checkbox"/> Ponding <input type="checkbox"/> Spray Irrigation Operation <input type="checkbox"/> Transport and Handling <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Application, Snow and Frozen Ground <input type="checkbox"/> Manure Applied from Roadway <input type="checkbox"/> Manure Applied to Erodible Soils <input type="checkbox"/> Manure Applied to Saturated Soils
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<b>Operating Record</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Farmstead Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Manure Management Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Water Monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan Certification <input type="checkbox"/> Certification by a Registered Professional Engineer <input type="checkbox"/> Construction Requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Self Monitoring Records <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Response Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use Agreements <input type="checkbox"/> Justification of Nitrogen Losses <input type="checkbox"/> Land Application Records for 5 Years <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Land Application of Manure <input type="checkbox"/> Spill Documentation <input type="checkbox"/> Spray Irrigation Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Land Application Monitoring Activities <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing and Distribution Records for 5 Years <input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance Activities on Liquid Manure Storage Facilities <input type="checkbox"/> Setback Waivers <input type="checkbox"/> Approvals	<b>Land Application Records</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Required Acreage for Manure Application <input type="checkbox"/> Manure and Soil Testing <input type="checkbox"/> Apply at Agronomic Rate <input type="checkbox"/> Land Application Records <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing & Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Information Sheets
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<b>Storm Water Management</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Applicability <input type="checkbox"/> Storm Water Management	<b>Exiting Program</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Decommissioning Storage Facility <input type="checkbox"/> Exiting the Program Requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Closing the Operation
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<b>General Comments</b>
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This site visit was a routine inspection. The farm consists of 1 barn. The permit allows for 5,000 finishers and 1,000 nursery pigs. There were 950 finishers onsite. The permit expires on 5-10-21.

A review of the operating record requirements was completed. All operating record requirements were present and up-to-date.

Manure will be given to local farmers. This barn has been lightly stocked so no manure has been removed from the pit yet. Kopkey will be hired to apply the manure. The last manure sample was received on 4-16-18. Jeff's consultant, Kristin Whittington, has a fertilizer distributor license from the State Chemist. She claims that she will supervise marketing and distribution of manure in the future. None of the operators of the farm have the license.

A visual inspection of the farm revealed that all permitted structures were in good condition. The ground had been graded and seeded with visible vegetation started. The perimeter tile sump pit was sampled for ammonia nitrogen. No ammonia nitrogen was detected.

Dead animals are composted. CFO# 6895 was inspected immediately after this inspection.

<b>Description of Violations and Further Actions</b>
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The findings noted in this report do not include a compliance evaluation for the submittal of required construction notifications, construction affidavits, facility change notifications, as-built plans, waste storage structure closures, and special compliance monitoring reports or data.

<b>Inspection Documentation</b>	
Photograph's Taken	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No



Map(s)		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
GPS Location Collected		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Field Screening Conducted		<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Lab Sample		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
<b>Inspection Results/Actions</b>		
Bio-Security	IDEM Bio-Security Policy Level 2 observed during time of inspection.	
Single Media Inspection Results	No violation(s) were discovered with respect to the particular items observed during the inspection.	
Compliance Assistance Visit		
Certificate of Compliance		
<b>Finalize Inspection</b>		
Written Summary of Inspection	Notice of Inspection and/or Verbal Summary Provided.	
Inspector Information	Inspector:	Chris Lowell
	Phone Number:	(317) 650-3191
	Email Address:	clowell@idem.in.gov