

## **Delhaize America Announces Guidance for Pork Suppliers**

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Delhaize America announced today that it has shared direction with suppliers on initiatives to eliminate gestation stall housing for sows.

In a letter to pork suppliers, Delhaize America is encouraging supplier efforts to eliminate gestation stall housing for sows and move to open pen solutions. Consistent with its commitment to animal welfare, the company is asking all pork suppliers to report in 2014 on their progress in this direction. The company will continue to work with our suppliers to find solutions that are more sustainable and humane and that deliver our expectations for food safety and traceability.

Delhaize America supports continuous improvement in animal welfare practice through its comprehensive approach to sustainability.

## **About Delhaize America**

Delhaize America, one of the nation's largest supermarket operators, has more than 1,500 stores along the East Coast. Delhaize America companies include Bottom Dollar Food, Food Lion, and Hannaford Supermarkets. Each banner has a distinct identity and well-established brand image within its respective markets across 18 states, offering market-specific products and services to meet the unique needs of its customers. Delhaize America employs more than 100,000 full-time and part-time associates. The company is part of Delhaize Group (NYSE: DEG), an international grocery retailer based in Brussels, Belgium.

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