



## **Frequently Asked Questions About Keystone Processors Ltd.**

Who owns Keystone Processors Ltd.?

The company is owned jointly by the Manitoba Cattle Enhancement Council and Natural Prairie Beef Inc. The company expects to welcome additional shareholders in the future as the plant becomes operational and is able to accommodate additional processors.

When will it be operational?

The new plant expects to begin processing beef in early 2009.

When will renovations and plant upgrades be complete?

The company expects to complete all plant renovations in 2010, at which point it will be fully operational as a federal slaughtering and processing facility.

When will it be accepting cattle?

The first step is to get the plant open for processing. The company doesn't expect to complete building the slaughter operations until 2010. Until then, it will be sub-contracting the slaughter of cattle to other Manitoba facilities.

What kind of cattle will it accept?

The plant will be open to all Manitoba cattle producers and breeding programs. Keystone Processors also expects other processors will use the facility on a contract basis to process other local brands of beef and bison.

How can I get my cattle to Keystone Processors Ltd.? Do I need to be in the Natural program?

Please contact Corry Berndsen, Vice President of Operations, to find out more about selling your cattle to Keystone Processors Ltd. The company plans to accept cattle from a variety of breeding programs in Manitoba.

How many head of cattle will the plant be able to handle?

The company expects to start accepting about 250 head of cattle per day in 2010. The plant is designed to handle up to 500 head per day.

**For more information:**

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