

NORTHCOTT

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Ms. Karen Bulman
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VIA FACSIMILE: 605-394-6636

Dear Karen,

Per our discussion this morning, please be advised that Northcott Company d.b.a. Perkins Restaurant and Bakery is withdrawing, without prejudice, its application for Malt Beverage licenses for our two restaurants in Rapid City.

While we feel the new non smoking law is discriminatory against family restaurants, we wish to preserve the family image of our Perkins Restaurants. It is our belief that a more fair law would have been to ban smoking in ALL restaurants rather than singling out family establishments.

Thank you for your assistance throughout this process.

Regards,



Kristen M. VonBusch
Operations Manager