

Washington, DC- Congressman Steve King (R-IA) released the following statement today after sending Agriculture Department Secretary Tom Vilsack a letter expressing concerns about the campaign of misinformation surrounding lean, finely textured beef (LFTB) along with 30 other members.

"Misleading propaganda has plagued the marketplace and is adversely affecting the beef industry," said King. "I hope that Secretary Vilsack will take steps to correct this media driven smear campaign. LFTB is a safe product, and Beef Products Incorporated has an unblemished health and food safety record. This issue impacts every American who buys beef; and they deserve an answer from the Secretary."

The letter co-signers are listed below:

Leonard Boswell (IA-03), Tim Huelskamp (KS-01), Mike Ross (AR-04), Vicky Hartzler (MO-04), Jim Costa (CA-20), Tom Latham (IA-04), Dan Boren (OK-02), Adrian Smith (NE-03), Thomas Rooney (FL-16), Lynn Jenkins (KS- 02), Mac Thornberry (TX-13), Larry Buschon (IN-08), Kristi Noem (SD-At Large), Kay Granger (TX-12), Michael K. Conaway (TX-11), Mike Pompeo (KS-04), Blaine Luetkemeyer (MO-09), Sam Graves (MO-06), Tom Graves (GA-09), Francisco Canseco (TX-2 3), John R. Carter (TX-31), Billy Long (MO-07), Steve Womack (AR-03), Renee Ellmers (NC-02), Randy Neugebauer (TX-19), Joe Barton (TX-06), Robert Schilling (IL-17), Mike Simpson (ID-02), and Bill Johnson (OH-6)

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