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Dear Stephane,

We have installed forth-eight Gestal FM feeding stations in our swine research farm at the end of May 2009. We are still conducting a study about sows feed intake in heat stress related period. As you know now, summers are very hot and humid here in North Carolina.

So far, we are noticing that the versatility and flexibility of the system's schedule seems to have an impact on our sows' daily feed intake. We had to overview normal set-up issues at the beginning but, since then, the Gestal FM system have operated precisely according to the commands set by our research crew. The Gestal system is providing us with numerous and various data that help our team following the herd. It is a system that is user friendly and that is requiring less labor for the feed delivery operations.

Overall, we are pleased with the initial results.

I will keep you posted as our study is still on the go, and I'm looking forward to your next visit.

Best regards,

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