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TO: Whom it may concern

RE: Boontech RFID Tag Reader

The Montana Beef Network purchased a Boontech Alleymaster system to use in conducting research trials with many types of RFID tags. We liked the design concept that would allow more than one animal at a time pass through the readers. Many of the other readers on the market will only allow one animal at a time pass through the readers. This can be a constraint when volumes of cattle must be read, such as in the livestock auction market.

We have conducted several trials with the system at the MSU Town Farm. Our first results were disappointing (around 80%), but with trial and error, and excellent support from Boontech, we now consistently get results approaching 99-100%.

This reader design allows us to move twice as many cattle through in the same time as many other "single animal" systems. This, coupled with the high accuracy, makes the Boontech Alleymaster system a great option for operations that need to scan a large volume of cattle.

Regards,

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