## BE ALERT FOR SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

Watch for warning signs that your operation may be a target. Such signs can include:

- An increase in requests for animalspecific information or on-farm tours
- Calls and letters questioning or criticizing your business or particular business practices
- Any harassing calls and letters to you or a nearby operation
- An increase in media attention to issues relating to the livestock industry
- Local special interest group campaigns related to agriculture or livestock
- An unusual increase in the number of people seeking employment
- Surveillance of your facility, such as someone watching your activities, using cameras (still or video), drawing diagrams or making notes on maps.

Many of these activities, in and of themselves, may not indicate criminal activity. Taken together, however, they may be a cause for concern. If you observe people acting suspiciously, don't hesitate to contact local law enforcement.

Remember — better safe than sorry.

## HELP PREVENT AND DETECT TERRORISM

The Kansas City Regional Terrorism Early Warning Group is one of a number of TEWs in metropolitan areas across the country. The TEW brings local, state and federal law enforcement officials together with public and private organizations to detect, deter and respond to terrorist threats in the Greater Kansas City community.

## If you see something, say something

#### **How to Report Information:**

In an EMERGENCY	Dial 9-1-1
To remain ANONYMOUS	816/474-TIPS
To Notify the Kansas City	
FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force	816/512-8200
To file an electronic report	www.kctew.org

Visit our Web site, **www.kctew.org**, to find contact information for other local, state and federal authorities.

In an emergency situation, call 9-1-1 or contact your local police department.



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# for AGRICULTURE & FARM OPERATIONS

What can
you do to
help prevent
and detect
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TIPS HOTLINE:

474-TIPS

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armers and others with agriculture- elated businesses can take steps to contain and deter the terrorism threat.

These steps seem even more prudent in light of recent events, and will help farmers prevent and prepare for the possibility of becoming a target of a domestic or international terrorist.



Depending on the size and nature of your farming operation, some of these steps will be more feasible than others. We recommend them all to you and hope that you will implement them as appropriate.

## If you see something, say something

In an emergency, call

9-1-1

To make an anonymous tip, call:

816-474-TIPS

### PROTECTIVE MEASURES YOU CAN TAKE

- Make security a priority at your facility and report any suspicious activities immediately to local police.
- Keep facility maps that indicate service shut-off locations, security areas and any other areas of sensitivity or vulnerability.
- Evaluate every request for information about your operation. Never agree to an unusual request unless you have verified its validity. Whenever possible, require requests for sensitive information or tours to be in writing. Obtain as much information as possible—name, telephone number, address, reason for request, what the person will be doing with the information, who else has been contacted, etc. If anyone hesitates to cooperate with these requests, do not reveal information about or provide access to your operation.
- Ask for references. Make calls to verify that the person requesting any sensitive information is who he or she claims to be.
- Ensure that access to your facility is controlled. Require visitors to sign in and out upon entering and leaving the facility. Use visitor identification badges.
- Escort visitors at all times while they are on the premises. Employees should be instructed to report all unescorted visitors to management and security personnel immediately.
- Maintain basic security by locking office doors and file cabinets. Have firewalls installed on your computer systems. Maintain separate business and personal computers.
- Keep all potentially hazardous agricultural or animal health products under lock and key.
- Use security lighting and alarms. Maintain fencing and gates. Post signs indicating restricted areas and no trespassing.
- Thoroughly screen all job applicants. Take the time to check all references.
- Develop a company statement concerning care, treatment and nutrition for your animals. Designate a single spokesperson to handle all calls about animal care, animal rights or any company policy concerning animals.
- Conduct routine tests of your security system and, if necessary, mock drills on your response procedures.
- Develop a crisis communication and action plan. Establish policies and procedures for handling disruptive and illegal situations, as well as for handling adverse publicity that might result. In developing response procedures, remember that steps to protect people should take priority over steps to protect property.

