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This letter is in response to the Letter to the Editor by Neil DeBuse published in this issue of the *Journal of Animal Science* regarding journal paper “Design and standards for genetic evaluation of seedstock populations” (81:2409–2418, 2003). The NPPC Genetic Programs Committee (**GPC**) and the authors of this journal paper recognize Newsham Hybrids as a reputable genetics company and a credible source of information to the swine industry. As a result, we have no reason to doubt their initial pedigree information and stand by the evaluation of the original Newsham Hybrids entry

that was made by the GPC at the time the terminal line program was conducted. If N. DeBuse, a former Newsham Hybrids employee, believes that Newsham Hybrids deceived the National Pork Producers Council (Des Moines, IA) by misrepresenting their entry to the terminal line program, he should take that up with Newsham Hybrids officials. Until we receive official notification from Newsham Hybrids that the information concerning the Newsham Hybrids population provided to the GPC was inaccurate, we have no reason to report anything different.

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