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The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Re: Invitation to Grand Opening

March 5, 2015

Dear Governor Haley

Our company has just started an exciting and "green" business in South Carolina growing hydroponic lettuce. Our production facility is in Ridgeway and will employ up to 300 South Carolinians in various capacities, none of which will make less than \$12 per hour. We will be selling our product to national food distributors and wholesalers and are now finalizing a business relationship to provide McEntire Produce Company up to 500,000 pounds of lettuce every week!

We would really like for you to personally join us at our Grand Opening on March 19th at 10:00 at 200 Church Street in Ridgeway to help celebrate our endeavor and the benefit it supplies to South Carolina, Fairfield County and Ridgeway. We will have several chefs preparing salads using our product and expect about 300 attendees including numerous legislators and representatives as well as business leaders from McEntire Produce and various national wholesalers. We realize your visit would be brief as legislative sessions are scheduled that afternoon but your presence would be very impactful and much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Steve Nelson and Gary Merrett
Owners