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Washington, D.C. - Congressman Jerry Moran, Chairman of the House Agriculture Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, today issued the following statement on the reported inconclusive results of a test for bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE).

"I remain confident in the U.S. food supply and in the farmers and ranchers who work hard every day to ensure that Americans have the highest quality, safest food supply in the world. It is important to remember that this case has not been confirmed and that the results of the testing will not be known for several days.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, working with the agriculture community, has put into place safeguards to better protect our food supply and, regardless of the results, consumers of American beef, both here and abroad, have nothing to fear."

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