

Cargill adds ground-beef wing to Kansas plant

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Wichita, Kan.-based Cargill Meat Solutions has added a 24,000-square-foot ground-beef wing to its fed-cattle plant in Dodge City, Kan.

According to a Cargill news release, the addition provides a number of benefits, including more flexibility in production and precise lean-point accuracy of the end product thanks to sophisticated electronic monitoring systems. The addition also has a higher capacity for large-volume orders, producing 500,000 pounds per day.

Ground beef production at Dodge City includes 20-pound chubs that go to Cargill Meat Solutions' case-ready plants for further processing; 10-pound chubs aimed at retailers that regrind and package for consumers; a variety of ready-for-retail 1-, 2-, 3- and 5-pound chubs sold under Cargill Meat Solutions' brands or as private-label product; and Cargill's newest line of case-ready patties.