



Inspection Report

THE C T AGRICULTURE EXPERIMENT STATION

Customer ID: **61**

Certificate: **16-R-0039**

Site: 001

LOCKWOOD FARM

123 HUNTINGTON STREET

BOX 1106

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: Oct-08-2009

NEW HAVEN, CT 06504

3.51 (b)

FACILITIES, INDOOR.

3.51 (b) - "Ventilation. Indoor housing facilities for rabbits shall be adequately ventilated to provide for the health and comfort of the animals at all times. Such facilities shall be provided with fresh air either by means of windows, doors, vents, or air conditioning and shall be ventilated so as to minimize drafts, odors, and moisture condensation."

1. There was a strong Rabbit urine odor noted when entering the Rabbit Room. In addition, the temperature of the room air was warmer and there was less air movement noted in this room as compared to the two other animal housing rooms at this site. The pans underneath the primary enclosures were dry and there was no obvious source of the strong odor.

Indoor housing facilities for Rabbits should be adequately ventilated with fresh air to minimize odors and provide for the health and comfort of the animals. The research facility needs to assess the ventilation system servicing this room to determine whether the ventilation for this room is adequate and make any necessary repairs. Correct by 11/1/09.

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3.31 (b)

SANITATION.

3.31 (b) - "Housekeeping. Premises (buildings and grounds) shall be kept clean."

1. The following Housekeeping items were noted in both of the Procedure Rooms: build up of cobwebs along the ceiling, dark residue present on the shelves, the floor was dirty, and there were many dead flies inside the ceiling-suspended light fixture.

Animal premises should be kept clean to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices of this Section of the Regulations. These rooms need to be cleaned on a more frequent basis. Correct by 11/1/07.

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3.31 (a) (1)

SANITATION.

3.31 (a) (1) - "Cleaning and sanitation of primary enclosures. (1) Primary enclosures shall be cleaned and sanitized often enough to prevent an accumulation of excreta or debris: Provided, however, That such enclosures shall be sanitized at least once every 2 weeks in the manner provided in paragraph (a)(4) of this section."

1. The primary enclosure housing 2 Guinea Pigs was noted to have a layer of dark material on the surface of the wire sides. According to personnel, the bedding is changed several times a week, but the enclosure itself is cleaned and sanitized as needed every few months.

Primary enclosures housing Guinea Pigs should be cleaned and sanitized at least once every 2 weeks using one of the methods described in Section 3.31 (a) (4) to ensure the health and well being of the animals. Correct from this date forward.

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2.31 (d) (2)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

2.31 (d) (2) Prior to IACUC review, each member of the Committee shall be provided with a list of proposed activities to be reviewed. Written descriptions of all proposed activities that involve the care and use of animals shall be available to all IACUC members, and any member of the IACUC may obtain, upon request, full Committee review of those activities. If full committee review is not requested, at least one member of the IACUC, designated by the chairman and qualified to conduct the review, shall review those activities, and shall have the authority to approve, require modifications in (to secure approval), or request full Committee review of any of those activities. If full Committee review is requested for a proposed activity, approval of that activity may be granted only after review, at a convened meeting of a quorum of the IACUC, and with the approval vote of a majority of the quorum present.

1. Protocol #P14-08 was submitted for review by the IACUC on 5/1/08. The protocol was distributed by the IACUC Chair to the members of the IACUC electronically for review. The IACUC members then responded electronically to the IACUC Chair with their decisions on the review of the protocol. The investigator was notified in writing on 5/12/08 that the protocol had been approved by the IACUC.

The use of electronic methods to review and approve a proposal for animal use is not in compliance with the AWA Regulations. A proposal for animal use can only be approved at either a convened meeting of the IACUC or via the Designated Member Review process. The IACUC needs to address this issue concerning protocol review. Correct from this date forward.

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