



Inspection Report

CAPRICORN PRODUCTS LLC

Customer ID: **20676**

Certificate: **11-R-0024**

Site: 001

CAPRICORN PRODUCTS LLC

12 RICE STREET

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: Feb-02-2010

PORTLAND, ME 04103

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ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.

Each research facility shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include:

(3) Daily observation of all animals to assess their health and well-being; Provided, however, That daily observation of animals may be accomplished by someone other than the attending veterinarian; and Provided, further, That a mechanism of direct and frequent communication is required so that timely and accurate information on problems of animal health, behavior, and well-being is conveyed to the attending veterinarian.

***For the first time in the last several years the facility, in its FY 2009 Annual Report, did not report any animals in the USDA "D" classification. All animals were classified as "C".

This finding led the Institutional Official to question whether there may have been:

- 1) Differences in judgement/observation on matter of animals health & well-being among personnel in 2009 as compared to previous years or:
- 2) Differences in judgement on what observations should be reported to the attending veterinarian.

Possible discrepancies of this kind are clearly important to the welfare of the animals.

This is a self-reported incident and the facility is in the process of correcting procedures that may have contributed.

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