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## **Petland in New Mexico: Where Do They Get Their Puppies?**

Petland claims that they only buy from breeders with “the highest standards,” but the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) has found that they continue to buy from **known puppy mills** and **out-of-state brokers** that deal with puppy mills. The Rio Racho, NM, Petland bought puppies from at least two major brokers which the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has cited for **multiple violations**.

A **broker** is a “middleman” animal dealer that buys puppies from many different kennels and puppy mills for resale to pet stores.

You can read more about The HSUS’s investigation by clicking on this link:

<http://humanesociety.org/petland>

### ***Details about the Rio Rancho, New Mexico, Petland***

#### **Petland-Rio Rancho**

**4405 Jager Drive Suite D-4**

**Rio Rancho, NM 87144**

**Phone: 505-771-3760**

#### **Hunte: Cited for Small Cages and Underage Puppies**

This store received shipments from a massive Missouri puppy broker, **The Hunte Corporation**, in 2009. Hunte is a middleman animal dealer which the USDA has cited for keeping dozens of animals in too-small cages, repeatedly transporting underage puppies, and other violations. The Hunte Corporation sells about 80,000 puppies a year from hundreds of different kennels and puppy mills.

#### **Mid-America: Cited for Small Cages and Incorrect Medications**

This store also received shipments from **Mid-America Pet Broker, LLC** in 2009. Mid-America is a middleman animal dealer in Missouri which the USDA has cited for buying from individuals without verifying whether they were licensed, expired and incorrect medications at the facility, too-small cages, and other violations.

**This store may also buy from other dealers.**

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***Click on these links for more information:***

Petland Investigations: <http://humanesociety.org/petland>

Pet Store Doublespeak: <http://humanesociety.org/doublespeak>

Puppy Buyer’s Guide: <http://humanesociety.org/puppy>

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