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Petland in West Virginia: 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 West Virginia Petlands 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://www.humanesociety.org/petland>

Details about the Beckley, West Virginia, Petland

Petland-Beckley

308 Beckley Plaza

Beckley, WV 25801

Phone: 304-252-3239

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.

QD Kennel: Selling Over 5,000 Puppies a Year

In 2009, this store received shipments from a large-scale commercial puppy broker in Missouri that ships puppies all over the United States. **QD Kennel** sells over 5,000 puppies a year and reportedly grosses over \$1,000,000 in sales.

Tracy’s K & J Pets: Cited for Improper Veterinary Oversight

In 2008, this store received shipments from **Tracy’s K & J Pets** in Missouri, a middleman animal dealer which the USDA has cited for inadequate veterinary oversight, animal transport vehicles in disrepair, purchasing animals while not currently licensed, and other violations.

This store may also buy from other dealers.

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Details about the Bluefield, West Virginia, Petland

Petland-Bluefield

Rt. 460 Box 7152

Bluefield, WV 24701

Phone: 304-327-8990

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Details about the South Charleston, West Virginia, Petland

Petland-South Charleston

2824 Mountaineer Blvd.

South Charleston, WV 25309

Phone: 304-744-8778

Out-of-State Sellers with Animal Welfare Act Violations

In 2009, this store received shipments directly from Missouri out-of-state sellers, some of whom have been cited for Animal Welfare Act violations.

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