



Inspection Report

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Customer ID: **6270**
Certificate: **84-C-0088**
Site: 002
WILLIAM LEE III

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 26-AUG-2014

2.40(b)(2) DIRECT REPEAT

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

A female reindeer, right ear tag #10, had excessively overgrown hooves on all four feet and was seen favoring her left front leg when she moved. Excessive growth of hooves changes the angle of the toes, changes the gait, and can lead to chronic problems in the feet and legs such as arthritis.

****A plan needs to be developed and documented, with the input of the attending veterinarian (AV), to address the need for hoof trimming for any animals that may need more frequent trimming to prevent the development of chronic foot and leg problems. This plan needs to be available for review by APHIS officials.**

A male reindeer calf was noted to be limping on his left hind limb. This animal had been diagnosed by the attending veterinarian (AV) in approximately early July as having a fracture that had begun to heal on its own. This APHIS VMO had talked by phone with the AV on 7/14/2014 and had been told of this animal's injury and what had been done to diagnose and treat the condition. When asked if there was a plan to recheck the reindeer's leg to assess healing, the AV stated there was not a plan to see the animal again. This APHIS VMO expressed concern that the animal's progress should be assessed by the AV and not to just rely on the licensee's phone reports. The AV had stated that she expected to schedule the herd health exam soon and agreed that it would be ideal for her to reassess his condition sooner rather than later. At the time of this inspection, the AV had not seen this reindeer calf and the herd health exam is not scheduled until 9/9/2014.

****This animal is still limping and needs to be re-examined by a veterinarian by 8/31/2014 to determine if the animal is painful, if the leg is healing, and if further diagnostics and/or treatment is necessary.**

A plan needs to be documented, approved by the attending veterinarian (AV), and be available for review by APHIS officials for the monitoring of this reindeer by the licensee for pain and to recognize changes in his condition. This plan should include criteria for when pain relief or other methods for reducing pain and distress need to be provided to ensure a good quality of life and to prevent worsening of the underlying condition. The licensee should document that he is monitoring this animal and when pain relief or other methods are provided to reduce pain and discomfort so the veterinarian and APHIS officials can evaluate if the plan is effective.

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2.126(a)(2) REPEAT

ACCESS AND INSPECTION OF RECORDS AND PROPERTY; SUBMISSION OF ITINERARIES.

The licensee was not on site for this inspection and was contacted by phone to determine if an inspection could be conducted with a responsible person. The licensee granted permission to allow an employee to accompany APHIS officials on the inspection but stated that the records were not on site and that they were with the licensee.

Records that are required under the AWA have not been available for the last 6 inspections.

Access to all required records for inspections is required for the Secretary to be able to enforce the AWA.

The licensee shall allow APHIS officials access to conduct inspections.

3.125(a)

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

The outdoor enclosure housing 1 llama, 3 sheep, and 2 goats had three shelter structures with unsecured billboard tarp material. This material was almost completely unraveled from the duplex style shelter so that most was lying on the ground. The material was hanging loosely from the top of the other two shelters. This unsecured material poses a risk of injury to the animals if they become entangled or ingest the loose material.

The wire and cattle panel fencing separating the reindeer cows and calves from the male reindeer had several broken wires or support posts that had sharp ends protruding into the enclosures, posing a risk of injury to the animals. There were also areas where the wire fencing was bent, loose, and pulled away from the rest of the panels which pose a risk for animals' antlers or feet to become caught in the wire.

The facility shall be constructed so it is structurally sound and maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and contain the animals.

To be corrected by 8/30/2014.

3.131(a) REPEAT

SANITATION.

The outdoor enclosure housing 1 llama, 3 sheep, 2 goats had an excessive accumulation of excreta from an adjacent pen housing mules and burros along the north fence line. This accumulation extended at least 6 feet along the fence and was as high as 18 inches and could fall into the water receptacle inside the sheep/goat/llama enclosure. Inside this enclosure, there was an excessive accumulation of excreta with several large piles in the

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middle of the enclosure and very little ground that was free of the waste material. This poses a risk of contamination of the feed, water source, and the animals' hair/wool.

The excessive accumulation of excreta throughout the facility but especially around and in this enclosure is contributing to the numerous flies seen throughout the facility. The flies and the potential for contamination of the feed, water source, and the animals' hair/wool with excreta puts them at risk of disease.

Cleaning of enclosures. Excreta shall be removed from primary enclosures as often as necessary to prevent contamination of the animals contained therein and to minimize disease hazards and to reduce odors.

3.131(d)

SANITATION.

The food storage shed had a broken bag of feed with spilled feed on the floor with an accumulation of rodent feces on the floor and other surfaces within the shed. Rodent pests and droppings may contaminate the feed and be a source of disease for the animals.

Numerous flies were noted throughout the facility including on the food receptacles and feed. The reindeer, mules, and other animals were noted to stamp their feet and appeared to want to get away from the flies during the inspection. The facility has placed fly traps and an electric zapper in the barn where the reindeer are housed but these do not appear to be effectively controlling the flies. The amount of excreta in and around many of the outdoor enclosures is excessive and is likely contributing to the number of flies seen during this inspection.

A safe and effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests shall be established and maintained and should include more frequent removal of excreta from and around the enclosures, cleaning of spilled feed in the food shed, and other methods for preventing the contamination of food and facilities housing animals.

To be corrected by 8/31/2014.

Inspection conducted with facility representative and 2 APHIS AC VMO's. Exit interview conducted by phone with the licensee.

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Additional Inspectors

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Species Inspected

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6270	84-C-0088	002	WILLIAM LEE III	26-AUG-14

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000006	<i>Canis lupus familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000002	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000001	<i>Lama glama</i>	LLAMA
000003	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000010	<i>Rangifer tarandus</i>	REINDEER
000022	Total	