

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Henry Hampton 14235 Hwy 801 Mount Ulla, NC 28125 Customer ID: 3271

Certificate: 55-B-0069

Site: 003

THE FARM AT WALNUT CREEK

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 04-DEC-2017

2.40(a)(1) REPEAT

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

The written program of veterinary care remains incomplete. The guidance included in the written program of veterinary care is insufficient regarding the use of diagnostic testing, dewormers, vaccinations, and other methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat disease, including both internal and external parasites. Currently the written PVC contains no information regarding vaccination for any species listed. Additionally, the recommended treatments consist only of a drug name (usually ivermectin or cydectin) without any guidance for doses or routes of administration. Regarding frequency of administration, the written PVC says "as needed" for the majority of the species. There is no guidance elsewhere clarifying what "as needed" means. Additional guidance for the use of these drugs must be provided in the written PVC for all species for which these drugs are intended to be used. Failure to include complete written guidance regarding these topics does not ensure welfare of the animals maintained by the facility as mis-communications may lead to failure to provide measures for prevention, control, and treatment of disease. Correct by working with the attending veterinarian to ensure that complete guidance regarding the dose, route, and frequency of administration for all drugs listed for each species that are not specifically labelled by the manufacturer are incorporated into the written program of veterinary care. The Farm manager stated during this inspection that the current PVC is unchanged since the last inspection.

2.40(b)(2) REPEAT

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

The program of veterinary (PVC) continues to authorize the use of succinylcholine as the primary drug for tranquilization (without any drugs for anesthesia or analgesia or equipment for respiratory support) for the majority of species including: Water Buffalo, Tahr Goat, Aoudad, Axis Deer, Sika Deer, Grevy and Grants Zebra, Nilgai, Fallow Deer, Eland, and Elk. Records on hand show that the facility is still currently using the drug.

Succinylcholine is a paralytic agent that has no analgesic (pain relieving) or tranquilizing properties. The use of this drug for routine non-painful procedures in the absence of anesthesia to alter conscious awareness is considered distressful to the animal. In addition to the distress of paralysis while maintaining consciousness, this type of drug can also paralyze respiratory muscles causing animals to stop breathing, and if animals are not properly ventilated they can die of suffocation while they remain conscious. This facility does not have adequate equipment, facilities,

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or training to intubate or mechanically ventilate animals in this event. It is likely that an animal experiencing paralysis of respiratory muscles would suffocate. There are numerous alternative drugs and drug combinations available which are able to chemically restrain animals (without causing paralysis) while providing anesthesia and analgesia. Because of their distressing effects, narrow safety margin, and associated risk of mortality, the use of paralytic or neuromuscular-blocking drugs without direct veterinary administration, oversight and care (including the use of general anesthesia and respiratory support) is not consistent with providing adequate veterinary care.

The licensee must maintain a program of adequate veterinary care that includes the use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries to comply with the provisions of adequate veterinary care as required by the Animal Welfare Act. This lack of adequate care can compromise the health of these animals and is likely to result in unnecessary pain and distress to the animals and/or death. Correct by working with your attending veterinarian to identify and implement a more appropriate chemical immobilization protocol that provides adequate care for all species being handled; this written protocol must address dose, frequency, and route of administration of each drug for each species if not specifically labelled by the manufacturer. Documentation of all changes or modifications to the current program of veterinary care including the plan for chemical restraint must maintained by the facility and provided to APHIS Officials upon request.

2.75(b)(1)

RECORDS: DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS.

There is no disposition records for 15 llamas. Accurate animal records regarding births, deaths, acquisition and disposition are used to help evaluate the facility's animal care program and for animal tracking for ownership and health care concerns. Every exhibitor must make, keep and maintain records or forms which fully and correctly disclose the following information concerning animals purchased, acquired, owned, held, leased, or otherwise in his or her control, or were transported, sold, euthanized or otherwise disposed of by that exhibitor, including any offspring born of any animals while in his or her possession or under his control.

Correct by maintaining accurate records regarding all dispositions from this day forward.

***Inspection and exit interview conducted with facility staff and the Farm Manager.

Additional Inspectors

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000012	Ammotragus Iervia	BARBARY SHEEP
000012	Antilope cervicapra	BLACKBUCK
000024	Axis axis	AXIS DEER / SPOTTED DEER / CHITAL
000006	Bison bison	AMERICAN BISON
000005	Bos grunniens	YAK
800000	Bos primigenuis indicus	ZEBU
000031	Bos taurus	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000003	Camelus dromedarius	DROMEDARY CAMEL
000007	Cervus elaphus canadensis	ELK
000179	Dama dama	FALLOW DEER
000005	Equus grevyi	GREVY'S ZEBRA
000006	Giraffa camelopardalis	GIRAFFE
000006	Hemitragus jemlahicus	HIMALAYAN TAHR
000016	Lama glama	LLAMA
000003	Lemur catta	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000018	Muntiacus reevesi	REEVE'S MUNTJAC
000162	Ovis aries aries	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000027	Sus scrofa domestica	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000005	Taurotragus oryx	COMMON ELAND
000535	Total	