

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Kuiper Rabbit Ranch Llc 5317 W 41st Ave Gary, IN 46408 Customer ID: **502426**

Certificate: 32-A-0640

Site: 001

KUIPER RABBIT RANCH LLC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 21-JAN-2020

3.29(d)

FEEDING.

Multiple food receptacles are dirty, contain feces and have cracks and large chips in them. Some of the receptacles have been glued together.

All food receptacles shall be kept clean and shall be sanitized at least once every 2 weeks.

Clean and sanitize food receptacles as often as necessary to prevent contamination of the food. Broken and cracked food receptacles cannot be properly sanitized and therefore must be replaced when they can no longer be sanitized.

Clean and sanitize food receptacles by January 22, 2020. Replace broken and cracked water receptacles by February 4, 2020.

3.31(a)(1)

SANITATION.

Approximately 25% of the enclosures for the guinea pigs in barn 2 contain excessive feces and caked bedding.

Primary enclosures shall be cleaned and sanitized often enough to prevent an accumulation of excreta or debris.

Clean the primary enclosures as often as necessary for the comfort of the guinea pigs contained and to prevent disease and odor.

To be corrected by January 22, 2020.

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CRITICAL

CARE IN TRANSIT.

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The licensee sold 40 guinea pigs to a facility. The licensees' employee transported 8 boxes of guinea pigs to the facility approximately 8 hours away. Each transport box used holds 5 guinea pigs. Upon arrival at the facility it was found that one box had shifted during transport and was directly next to the heating vent. 3 of the 5 guinea pigs in the transport box had died due to overheating and the remaining 2 were in distress but have since recovered.

During surface transportation, it shall be the responsibility of the driver or other employee to visually observe the live guinea pigs or hamsters as frequently as circumstances may dictate, but not less than once every 4 hours, to assure that they are receiving sufficient air for normal breathing, their ambient temperatures are within the prescribed limits.

Guinea pigs must be checked on during transport to ensure they are receiving sufficient air and the proper temperatures are maintained to prevent overheating and death.

The licensee reported this incident to APHIS and has already taken corrective actions to ensure that this does not happen during transportation of guinea pigs in the future.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

Additional Inspectors

Hammel Kurt, Veterinary Medical Officer

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Species Inspected

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CountScientific NameCommon Name001750Cavia porcellusDOMESTIC GUINEA PIG000100Oryctolagus cuniculusDOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT

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