

## United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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### **Inspection Report**

Pine Acres Rabbitry/Farm 299 E. Main Street Norton, MA 02766 Customer ID: 101

Certificate: 14-R-0004

Site: 001

PINE ACRES RABBITRY/FARM

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 28-MAY-2015

#### 2.31(d)(1)(2)

#### INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

Consideration of Alternatives.

1. Protocol #14-05 included a procedure that would be considered more than momentarily painful or distressful and the written narrative of the animal use proposal referenced the use of a database in the search for alternatives. However, the database search included in the proposal that was approved by the IACUC in August 2014 had been conducted by the principal investigator in the year 2002 and therefore did not describe a search that was adequate to determine that alternatives were not available for the procedure.

Per this Section of the Regulations, whenever a proposal for animal use contains procedures that may cause more than momentary pain or distress to the animals, the investigator is required to consider alternatives to those procedures and provide a written narrative description of the methods and sources used to determine that alternatives were not available. Whenever a database search is utilized to fulfill this requirement, it should be conducted closer to the time the proposal is submitted in order to determine that alternatives were not currently available.

The IACUC needs to address this issue that was identified for this protocol.

Correct by 6/29/15.

#### 2.31(e)(3)

#### INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

Complete Description of Animal Use.

1. Protocol #15-05 did not contain a complete description of the proposed animal use. The protocol approved by the IACUC in April 2015 contained a description of the administration of the study agent by injection but it was learned during the inspection that the study animals on the premises had received the study agent by the oral route. In addition the approved protocol did not identify the study agent and the dose of the study agent to be

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administered to the animals was not included.

Per this Section of the Regulations, a proposal to conduct an activity involving animals must contain a complete description of the proposed use of the animals so the IACUC can determine that the components of the proposed activities related to the care and use of animals are in accordance with the requirements outlined in this subchapter.

The IACUC needs to address this issue that was identified for this protocol.

Correct by 6/29/15.

NOTE - Exit interview held 5/28/15 on-site with facility representative. Report delivered by e-mail 5/29/15.

\*END OF REPORT\*

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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
101	14-R-0004	001	PINE ACRES RABBITRY/FARM	28-MAY-15

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name	
000003	Canis lupus familiaris	DOG ADULT	
000010	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT	
000006	Cavia porcellus	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG	
000213	Oryctolagus cuniculus	EUROPEAN RABBIT	
000001	Ovis aries aries	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS	
000052	Sus scrofa domestica	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG	
000285	Total		