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# **Inspection Report**

Harvey Kliebert Farms L L C 41067 West Yellow Water Rd Hammond, LA 70403 Customer ID: 17196

Certificate: 72-C-0218

Site: 001

Harvey Kliebert Farms L L C

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 20-MAY-2015

# 2.131(b)(1)

#### HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

When tending to the husbandry of the three foxes at this facility, a new employee left the gate open to the primary enclosure which resulted in the escape of two of the animals. When questioned about this incident, the licensee indicated that he had made no effort to retrieve or capture the animals. The handling of all regulated animals should be done in manner that prevents trauma, stress, physical harm or unnecessary discomfort. Failure to handle these animals properly and allowing the animals to escape has caused unnecessary discomfort (stress, hunger, thirst, possible death). All animals must be handled in ways that prevent any stress or physical harm to their well being.

Correct by: From this day forward.

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#### FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

This facility has a perimeter fence around the primary enclosures for the fox, nutria and raccoon that is comprised of three sides: panels of sheet metal that are connected to the store entrance which faces the front of the property and panels of sheet metal fencing on each opposite side, all at least six feet high. There is NO fourth side. This three sided structure backs up to a wooded swampy area. Recently, two of the foxes escaped from the facility after getting out of their primary enclosure and exiting the property through this swampy wooded area. This perimeter fence arrangement or construction does not adequately contain the animals in the facility. Perimeter fences must be properly constructed as a secondary containment so as to protect and contain the regulated species and prevent unwanted entry by animals and unauthorized persons.

Correct by: July 21, 2015

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#### WATERING.

The nutria enclosure consists of a cement island that is surrounded by pond due to the aguatic nature of the rodent.

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At the time of the inspection, the pond was completely covered with green algae and vegetation. This was the only source of water for the animal and the licensee stated that the pond was also utilized as drinking water for the animal. Dirty water may harbor disease hazards and this poses a health risk to the nutria. With it s pond in this current condition, the licensee should provide an alternate source of fresh water for the animal. The water that is used for its drinking must be kept clean.

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#### EMPLOYEES.

The employee who handles the husbandry of the animals at this facility, namely the foxes, has no prior experience with this species. The employee s lack of experience contributed to animal escapes when tending to the foxes. Adequately trained employees must be utilized to properly care for the animals present at the facility.

Correct by: From this day forward.

The inspection and exit interview was conducted with APHIS personnel and the facility manager.

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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
17196	72-C-0218	001	Harvey Kliebert Farms L L C	20-MAY-15

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
000001	Myocastor coypus	NUTRIA
000001	Oryctolagus cuniculus	EUROPEAN RABBIT
000003	Procyon lotor	RACCOON
000001	Vulpes vulpes	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000007	Total	