

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Bio Link Inc Customer ID: 36569

P O Box 715 Certificate: **21-B-0155**

Liverpool, NY 13088 Site: 001

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 16-APR-2014

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

Adequate pre-procedural and post-procedural care:

1) Records indicate that there has been at least one instance of confusion as to the correct identity of a guinea pig undergoing a procedure.

To avoid this situation, and to decrease the risk of mortaltiy, a more accurate pre-procedural system of identification must be established.

Correct by 4/23/14

2) Related to the above, the correct medical data for individual guinea pigs must be incorporated into the records in such a way as to be helpful in contributing to a successful procedural outcome. This data would include weights, hematocrit readings, and pre-procedural health assessments that would err on the side of caution in dictating volumes of blood to be drawn.

Correct by 4/23/14

3) The following pre-procedural items in SOP 503-0 must be corrected to reflect what is occurring in practice; that is, guinea pigs are not being bled at 10 day intervals, nor are all guinea pigs subject to 10 - 12ml bleeds. The latter should be a decision made on the basis of data mentioned in #2 above.

The information provided in the SOP is both inaccurate and misleading.

Correct by 4/23/14

4) In order to effectively decrease mortality rates, the causes of mortality must be identified so that pre and post-procedural corrections can be implemented. The monthly guinea pig medical log must be updated to distinguish various causes of death.

Correct by 4/23/14

An exit interview was conducted with the facility director on 4/16/14.

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Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER 1068

Received by Title: DIRECTOR Date:

16-APR-2014



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Species Inspected

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36569	21-B-0155	001	BIOLINK INC		16-APR-14
Count	Scientific Name			Common Name	

DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG