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

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## **Inspection Report**

Angie Hales 4333 Valley Road Meridian, MS 39307 Customer ID: 44365

Certificate: **65-C-0553** 

Site: 001

ANGIE HALES

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 30-JUL-2014

## 2.40(b)(2)

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

The spotted rex rabbit "Bugs" had dry, slightly swollen, hairless, reddened areas covering about 40% of the bottom of her back feet. She also has hardened, slightly crusted, blackish areas (about 0.5 x 0.5 cm scab-like) on the bottom of her back heels and knuckles. It was observed that "Bugs" seems to prefer sitting on the board within her enclosure or the mound in front of her food receptacle but she will voluntarily hop on the wire occasionally. Her fur is also slightly crusty and brownish along her back end. The owner reports that "Bugs" has had on and off foot problems over the last several months that usually improve with nursing care. She had last been checked for foot problems a week ago when they had appeared resolved.

It is important that animals with chronic conditions be examined by a veterinarian for their disease, even if past episodes have been resolved with nursing care. For example, animals may have underlying conditions which might make them more susceptible to chronic illness or require a change in husbandry. A veterinarian can provide services and guidance for appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose and treat these conditions.

Correct by 8/2/14.

## 3.54(b) **REPEAT**

## FEEDING.

There was a moderate to large amount of caked food on the bottom of the food receptacle in one of the rabbit enclosures. A small amount of rabbit feces was also observed in the food receptacle. Contaminated feed in an animal's food bin may be unpalatable to the animal (the animal might not want to eat it) and/or it may harbor pathogens or toxins which can harm the animals. Food receptacles shall be located to minimize contamination by excreta, kept clean, and measures must be taken to prevent molding, deterioration, or caking of the feed.

### 3.56(a)(1) REPEAT

#### SANITATION.

There was an approximately 2-3 x 4 inch mound of dried fecal material and food pellets in the four wire-bottom primary enclosures occupied by rabbits. In two of the cages the mound was located in front of the feeder and the

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rabbits would only be able to access the food by walking on the mound. Failure to provide adequate cleaning may lead to buildup of pathogens in the feces and food which may cause illness in the animals. It can also attract pests that can cause discomfort to the rabbits or spread disease. Primary enclosures shall be kept reasonably free of excreta, hair, and cobwebs by periodic cleaning.

#### 3.131(c) **REPEAT**

#### SANITATION.

In the pen that held the llamas there were several long strands of baling twine on the ground, partially embedded in the soil, from a hay bale that had been recently moved. There were also several areas in this pen where there were small accumulations of broken porcelain and glass. Most of this was discarded immediately.

In the pen that held the young goats there was a section of spare wire fencing on the ground with some exposed edges facing upwards.

Sections of twine can injure the animals if they ingest the twine or become tangled in it. Animals may be cut by pieces of glass or exposed wire edges. Accumulations of trash shall be placed in designated areas and removed from animal pens as necessary.

The inspection and exit briefing were conducted with the Owner.

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# **Species Inspected**

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44365	65-C-0553	001	ANGIE HALES	30-JUL-14

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000004	Bos taurus	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000022	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
000002	Lama glama	LLAMA
000005	Oryctolagus cuniculus	EUROPEAN RABBIT
000004	Ovis aries aries	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000003	Sus scrofa domestica	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000040	Total	