

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Bateman Diversified LLC 4742 Farm Road 2140 Exeter, MO 65647

Customer ID: 45145

> Certificate: 43-T-0030

> > Site: 001

BATEMAN DIVERSIFIED, LLC

Type: **ROUTINE INSPECTION**

Date: 01-JUN-2015

2.131(b)(1)

HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

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Fifteen puppies, many of which were medium to large breeds, on one transport vehicle were displaying signs of excessive thirst. Three of the enclosures contained 4 puppies and one contained 3 puppies. The truck attendant was in the process of watering the animals inside the truck and had not yet reached these puppies. Once provided water, the puppies were observed drinking continuously, in some cases for up to 2 minutes without stopping. The puppies were pushing each other to get to the water and they were all trying to fit their heads into the water containers to drink; however, they could not all access the water at the same time because the containers were small, holding about 1-2 cups of water each. As one puppy would raise its head, another would push its face into the container to drink. The puppies quickly depleted the water. Four Blue Heeler puppies in one enclosure were observed licking the empty receptacle and chewing on the sides until a second serving of water was provided of which they also drank completely. An inadequate supply of water can result in unnecessary discomfort and physical harm. The registrant was verbally instructed to ensure that all dogs are provided with an adequate supply of water as frequently as necessary to ensure their comfort and well-being from this point forward. TO BE CORRECTED BY: 6/1/2015.

3.14(e)(1)

PRIMARY ENCLOSURES USED TO TRANSPORT LIVE DOGS AND CATS.

3.14(e)(1)

There were two enclosures, each containing 4 puppies, on the West Route transport vehicle in which the puppies were not provided adequate space. The puppies in these enclosures did not have enough space for all puppies to lie down in a normal position or turn around without contacting the other puppies in the enclosure. When all the puppies were lying down, there was no visible open floor space in the enclosures. Without adequate space these puppies cannot make normal postural adjustments which are crucial to their health and well-being. Primary enclosures used to transport dogs must provide adequate space for each animal to turn about normally while standing, to stand and sit erect, and to lie in a natural position. TO BE CORRECTED BY: 6/4/2015

This inspection was conducted with the licensee, employees and Konnie Plumlee, VMO. An exit briefing was

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Species Inspected

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Common Name

DOG PUPPY

000040 Total

Scientific Name

Canis lupus familiaris

Count

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