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## **Inspection Report**

Difco Laboratories 1475 Athens Highway Grayson, GA 30221 Customer ID: 880

Certificate: 57-R-0023

Site: 001

**DIFCO LABORATORIES** 

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 20-JUL-2017

#### 2.33(a)(1)

#### ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.

\*\*\*The Program of Veterinary Care does not provide a frequency of sampling or treatment plan for ectoparasites, it simply states that the facility is to contact the veterinarian.

The written program shall be clarified to include the processes to be followed for documentation of the observations and the communication to the veterinarian.

Correct by September 21, 2017.

#### 2.33(b)(2) DIRECT

#### ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.

\*\*\*There were several rabbits (greater than 10) that had hair loss of varying degrees on their faces, above the nose and extending as far as between the eyes. There are no records indicating the current rabbits conditions have been identified and communicated to the veterinarian. The rabbits shall be examined by the veterinarian and appropriate treatment provided as necessary.

\*\*\*There is a female rabbit with wet yellowish discoloration in the genital, inguinal and perennial area. Upon further observation when the rabbit was removed from her enclosure, the skin was reddened and moist indicting skin irritation. This rabbits' condition had not been observed, documented or treated prior to the inspection. The rabbit shall be examined by the veterinarian and appropriate treatment provided.

\*\*\*There is a female rabbit with an area of hair loss on the back of her neck at the base with scabs on the skin. There is no indication that the condition was observed prior to this inspection. There is no documentation indicating any of the conditions described above have been referred to the veterinarian. The rabbit shall be examined by the veterinarian and appropriate treatment provided.

The rabbits listed above shall be examined and appropriate treatment provided and documented. The

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documentation shall be made available for review during inspection.

Correct by July 26, 2017

### 2.33(b)(3)

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\*\*\*The facility representatives indicated that the loss of hair on the nose and face is not a condition that they document and they stated that some of the rabbits arrive at the facility with this condition but it is not documented in anyway on intake health records. I was also told that at some point skin scrapings were performed in the past to determine the possibility of ectoparasites but there were no records for review. With the daily observations of the rabbits being performed by someone other than the veterinarian a mechanism of direct and frequent communication is required to convey timely and accurate information on health conditions to the veterinarian.

Correct by August 4, 2017

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the Institutional Official and IACUC Chair.

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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
880	57-R-0023	001	DIFCO LABORATORIES	20-JUL-17

Count Scientific Name Common Name

000186 Oryctolagus cuniculus DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT

000186 Total