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Inspection Report

Thomas Walsh 52 Lebanon Rd

North Berwick, ME 03906

Customer ID: 39947

Certificate: 11-R-0027

Site: 001
CAT'S PAW FARM

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 03-JAN-2020

2.31(b)(3)(ii)

INSTITUTIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE (IACUC).

The IACUC committee is comprised of a Chair and the Attending Veterinarian. The committee does not include a nonaffiliated member. The nonaffiliated member provides representation for the general community interests in the proper care and treatment of animals. The requirements for the committee state that there must be at least two other members besides the Chair, including a veterinarian and nonaffiliated member.

Correction date: Prior to conducting IACUC business

2.38(b)(1)(ii)

MISCELLANEOUS.

IACUC records were not available at the time of inspection. Required records, including records of meeting attendance, activities and deliberations of the IACUC, and animal care and use protocols are reviewed during inspection to determine compliance with Animal Welfare Act regulations. Appropriate documentation must be available at the time of inspection.

Correction date: 08 January 2020

3.51(b)

FACILITIES, INDOOR.

Upon entering the rabbit room, there was a strong odor consistent with ammonia, and the inspector experienced mild ocular and respiratory irritation until a window was opened. Inhalation of ammonia has been associated with respiratory and ocular disease in laboratory rabbits and may affect animal welfare adversely. Facilities must be adequately ventilated to minimize odors and maintain health and comfort of the animals at all times.

Correction date: Immediate

3.56(a)(1)

SANITATION.

Excreta and hair were present in large amounts in the pans and on wires of rabbit primary enclosures. Accumulation of waste products can contribute to bacterial buildup and increase ventilatory requirements to

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maintain air and primary enclosures in clean conditions to prevent adverse effects upon animal welfare and health. Buildup of hair on primary enclosures provides additional surfaces for excreta and bacteria to accumulate, also leading to potentially adverse conditions for animal welfare. Primary enclosures shall be kept reasonably free of excreta and hair by periodic cleaning.

Correction date: 06 January 2020

3.56(c) REPEAT

SANITATION.

Along two racks of rabbit cages urine had pooled down the upright supports and was present on the floor. Urine had been sprayed onto the wall behind one rack of cages. Minor rusting of the upright supports was evident. Accumulation of animal excreta may impede effective cleaning methods, impair the structural integrity of enclosures, and contribute to conditions associated with animal injury or disease. Cleaning to remove waste products of animals that can contribute to unhealthful odors, potentially harmful bacterial overgrowth and equipment deterioration, is necessary to protect animals from injury and to facilitate prescribed husbandry practices.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the facility representative.

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Count Scientific Name Common Name

000028 Oryctolagus cuniculus DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT

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