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Inspection Report

S & S Exotic Animals Inc.

1711 Connorvale

Houston, TX 77039

Customer ID: 5730

Certificate: 74-B-0469

Site: 002

S & S Exotic Animals Inc.

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 25-FEB-2016

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PRIMARY ENCLOSURES USED TO TRANSPORT LIVE ANIMALS.

On February 25, 2016 the licensee presented and left for air transportation four young sugar gliders housed in four individual primary enclosures. The four enclosures had tape applied to the exterior that sealed all ventilation openings on the enclosures. Removal of the externally applied tape on one enclosure revealed the openings had also been sealed with a layer of tape applied to the inside of the enclosure.

No dealer shall offer for transportation any live animal in a primary enclosure that does not conform to the following ventilation requirement: when there are ventilation openings located on all four walls of the primary enclosure the ventilation openings on each wall shall be at least 8 percent of the total surface area of each wall.

By sealing the openings on all four sides of the enclosures the animals were essentially provided with no openings for ventilation. Insufficient ventilation during transportation will compromise animal well being by restricting oxygen and could result in death of the animal. Animals must not be accepted for transportation when housed in primary enclosures that do not meet requirements for adequate ventilation under the Animal Welfare Act.

Correct by: Immediate.

The inspection was conducted with United Airlines representatives. The exit interview was conducted on February 25, 2016 with the licensee via telephone.

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CountScientific NameCommon Name000004Petaurus brevicepsSUGAR GLIDER

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