



Inspection Report

Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico
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Customer ID: **325361**

Certificate: **94-C-0116**

Site: 001

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INTERAMERICANA DE PUERTO
RICO

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 04-APR-2023

3.105(a)

Feeding.

In the kitchen area there was a white food storage bin that contained monkey biscuits. Upon further inspection, one of the biscuits had a fuzzy-like white substance on half a biscuit, which had direct contact with surrounding biscuits. The biscuits are used when the facility has trouble finding food due to natural disasters. It is required that food for marine mammals must be wholesome, palatable, and free of contamination. Corrected by end of the inspection.

3.109

Separation.

The facility has an adult non-releasable Floridian manatee, Guacara, housed singly in the enclosure labeled 36K pool. In another enclosure, labeled 15K there is a juvenile male, Bajari, that is releasable within a year and also housed singly. The Center has been offered to long-term house another non-releasable Floridian manatee, named Cayo, presently at Zoo Tampa. It is the attending veterinarian's professional opinion that "Guacara" and "Bajari" should have the companionship of a compatible animal of the same or biologically related species, on a short-time basis Guacara-Bajari, and upon Bajari's release Guacara-Cayo. Manatees are semi-social animals and do better medically and psychologically when they are housed in pairs or groups. Marine mammals, whenever known to be primarily social in the wild, must be housed in their primary enclosure with at least one compatible animal of the same or biologically related species.

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To be corrected by May 15, 2023

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with Facility Representative.

Additional Inspectors:

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000005	<i>Trichechus manatus</i>	CARIBBEAN MANATEE
000005	Total	