## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE



CASE NUMBER: MO07037-AC

VIOLATOR:

Diana M. Marbut

**DBA:** Blossom Kennels

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, ZIP Code): 5622 Goldfinch Road

Joplin, MO 64804

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed the following violation(s) of Federal Regulations:

## Date of Violation: Various - See Below

**9 C.F.R.** § **2.1(a)(1)** Licensing. Requirements and application. Any person operating or intending to operate as a dealer, exhibitor, or operator of an auction sale, except persons who are exempted from the licensing requirements under paragraph (a)(3) of this section, must have a valid license.

Diana M. Marbut operated as a dealer by selling puppies on a wholesale basis to numerous pet stores across the U.S. without a valid USDA license.

Sale dates in 2007: 1/14/07; 1/18/07; 1/22/07; 1/23/07; 1/24/07; 1/26/07; 1/29/07; 1/31/07; 2/3/07; 2/4/07; 2/5/07; 2/7/07; 2/8/07; 2/12/07; 2/12/07; 2/18/07; 2/19/07; 2/24/07; 2/28/07; 3/3/07; 3/4/07; 3/5/07; 3/7/07; 3/9/07; 3/11/07; 3/12/07; 3/13/07; 3/14/07; and 4/2/07.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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