

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

OFFICIAL WARNING  
VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

CASE NUMBER:  
MO11118

VIOLATOR:  
Brenda Ponting  
Customer #: 40844  
Certificate #: 43-A-5133

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about November 15, 2011, July 20, 2011, June 30, 2011, and March 30, 2011, you or your organization committed the following violation(s) of Federal Regulations 9 CFR, Section:

**3.1(f) Housing Facilities, General...** repeated failure to provide for regular and frequent collection, removal, and disposal of animal and food wastes, bedding, debris, garbage, water, other fluids and wastes.

**3.4(b)(3) Outdoor Housing Facilities...** repeated failure to provide wind/rain breaks at entrances to primary enclosures.

**3.4(c) Outdoor Housing Facilities...** repeated failures to maintain surfaces that come into contact with animals impervious to moisture. All surfaces must be maintained on a regular basis. Surfaces of outdoor housing facilities that cannot be readily cleaned and sanitized, must be replaced when worn or soiled.

**3.6(a)(2)(i) Primary Enclosures...** repeated failure to construct and maintain primary enclosures so that they have no sharp points or edges that could injure the animals.

**3.10 Watering... DIRECT...** repeated failure to keep water receptacles clean and sanitized.

**3.11(c) Cleaning, Sanitization, Housekeeping, and Pest Control ...** repeated failure to keep housing facilities, including buildings and surround grounds, clean and in good repair.

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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