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Re: *Best Little Rodent, Rabbit and Ferret House*

Dear Mr. Lerner:

I represent Dr. Cathy Johnson-Delaney. I have been asked to respond to your letter of November 11, 2003, to Dr. Johnson-Delaney.

There is a disagreement about who may have "owned" the ferret known as Foxy. Foxy the ferret was not owned by Best Little Rodent, Rabbit and Ferret House. This particular ferret was owned by Washington Ferret Rescue Shelter (WFRS).

Foxy was not "killed rather than treated." Foxy was treated quite humanely and, in the discretion of Dr. Johnson-Delaney, was euthanized only for humane reasons. This was an extremely sick animal living with constant pain. The decision to euthanize this animal was appropriate and was a decision to be made only by Washington Ferret Rescue Shelter.

As Foxy belonged to Washington Ferret Rescue Shelter, we do not anticipate turning over her remains or photographs.

If the Best Little Rodent, Rabbit and Ferret House has some sort of documentation declaring it to be the "owner" of this particular ferret, or if it has some sort of documentation setting forth a specific agreement somehow impacting this particular ferret, we would certainly appreciate the opportunity to review any such information. Thank you.