



## Inspection Report

Liberty Research Inc  
P O Box 107, 170 State Rte 17 C  
Waverly, NY 14892

Customer ID: **6799**  
Certificate: **21-A-0047**  
Site: 001

LIBERTY RESEARCH INC

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION  
Date: 02-OCT-2017

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#### COMPATIBLE GROUPING.

In building 12, Room 1202, The APHIS inspection team observed one feline harem group exhibit behaviors that included loud distressed vocalization, continuous chasing back and forth throughout the entire enclosure, and dislodged tufts of fur floating out of the enclosure. This was observed for at least a minute and a half. Although there was a recent reintroduction of queens which had been separated to raise their young, the conflict appeared sustained and extreme. In addition, there were no partitions or visual barriers which would have allowed any individual in the group to hide.

In another harem enclosure, healing scratches were noted on three of the cats. In addition, in a third harem grouping, one male was noted to distinctly separate himself from the rest of the group, had healing scratches on his nose, and what appeared to be an old ear injury. A review of this cat's medical record indicated that the animal had a history of previous scratches, which were noted on an entry dated 7/18/17. These repeated incidents suggest incompatibility within this harem group.

Incompatible grouping and stressful re introductions can lead to continued distress and injury which affect the health and well-being of the animals.

Facility shall observe animals for compatibility on a continuing basis and document these findings in order to devise and implement effective approaches to minimize distress and maximize compatibility.

\*\*\*\*\*Correct from October 5, 2017 forward

This inspection was conducted on October 2- 5, 2017. This was a focused inspection of Barriers 12 and 6.

An exit interview was conducted on October 5, 2017 with the facility representatives.

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted with

### Additional Inspectors

Lopinto John, Veterinary Medical Officer

Petervary Nicolette, National Animal Care Specialist

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## Species Inspected

| Cust No | Cert No   | Site | Site Name            | Inspection |
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| 6799    | 21-A-0047 | 001  | LIBERTY RESEARCH INC | 02-OCT-17  |

| Count         | Scientific Name               | Common Name |
|---------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 000124        | <i>Canis lupus familiaris</i> | DOG ADULT   |
| 000124        | <i>Canis lupus familiaris</i> | DOG PUPPY   |
| 000328        | <i>Felis silvestris catus</i> | CAT ADULT   |
| 000373        | <i>Felis silvestris catus</i> | CAT KITTEN  |
| <b>000949</b> | <b>Total</b>                  |             |