



Inspection Report

Jesse M Zook
2279 White Oak Rd
Strasburg, PA 17579

Customer ID: **325792**
Certificate: **23-A-0532**
Site: 001
JESSE M ZOOK

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 11-SEP-2014

3.31(a)(1) DIRECT REPEAT

SANITATION.

Primary enclosures for guinea pigs are not being cleaned adequately or often enough to remove accumulations of dust, dirt, cobwebs, soiled bedding, and debris. All of the enclosures have accumulations of excreta, dirt and debris; there is not a single enclosure that is adequately cleaned. The wooden frames and wire on the outside of the primary enclosures are thickly covered with cobwebs, dust, and feed. The accumulations on the outsides of the primary enclosures, especially on the bottom rows, were such that it was difficult to see into the enclosures to observe the animals. The cleaning process (method and frequency) utilized is not effective in removing this accumulation both inside and outside the enclosures. The owner's son stated he cleans the enclosures every 10 days by removing soiled bedding and putting new bedding in, but he does not sanitize and could not say the last time sanitation was done. He stated that some of the enclosures were cleaned last week, and some had been left for 2-3 weeks uncleaned. Ineffective cleaning and sanitation exposes the animals to disease hazards and health problems. One guinea pig was heard sneezing, and the air quality within the facility was poor enough to cause discomfort to the APHIS inspectors during the inspection, despite having air moving through via open doors and windows and the use of fans. Primary enclosures must be cleaned often enough to prevent an accumulation of dust, dirt, excreta, cobwebs, and debris and enclosures must be sanitized at least once every 2 weeks. Correct by ensuring that all primary enclosures are kept clean and sanitized often enough to prevent an accumulation of excreta, dirt and debris.

Remains uncorrected.

3.31(a)(4)

SANITATION.

Owner's son, who is primarily responsible for the care and cleaning of the guinea pigs and enclosures, stated he cleans the primary enclosures about every 10 days, although sanitation is not performed. He was unsure of the last time the enclosures were sanitized. Primary enclosures must be sanitized at least once every 2 weeks or as necessary with proper agents to sufficiently disinfect all surfaces that the guinea pigs may come into contact. Sanitation of primary enclosures is necessary to minimize risk of disease to the animals housed therein. Correct by September 15, 2014.

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3.31(b) DIRECT REPEAT

SANITATION.

Housekeeping. The floor contains accumulations of spilled feed, straw, and debris. There are accumulations of dust, dirt, cobwebs, and debris on the ceiling, walls, racks, and in empty and occupied enclosures. Enclosures used as storage for unused water bottles and supplies were covered in multiple layers of accumulated filth. Dust and cobwebs were so thickly covering the majority of surfaces on the inside of the facility that inspectors needed to brush off clothing after completing the inspection. Animal facilities must be kept clean to ensure good quality of air for the animals and to prevent unnecessary disease risks. Ineffective cleaning exposes the animals to disease hazards and health problems. Correct by ensuring the premises are kept clean, including: removing accumulations of dust, cobwebs, straw, shavings, and feed; routinely dusting off and sanitizing all surfaces on the inside of the facility; cleaning out supplies stored in empty enclosures; and maintaining a level of general cleanliness to support good animal husbandry and health.

Remains uncorrected.

3.32

EMPLOYEES.

The facility does not appear to have a sufficient number of employees to adequately care for the number of guinea pigs being housed and to upkeep the general conditions in the facility. This facility has been cited repeatedly for inadequate cleaning, housekeeping, and sanitation. Owner's son stated he is primarily responsible for the cleaning and upkeep, and he works away three days each week. He tries to spend ~2 hours each day inside the guinea pig facility. Insufficient employees allows cleaning and housekeeping to fall behind, and these conditions can pose health risks to the animals. There must be a sufficient number of employees who can adequately care for the guinea pigs and maintain a level of cleanliness in the facility that is appropriate for good animal health and husbandry. Correct by September 20, 2014.

Exit briefing was conducted with the owner.

Additional Inspectors

Campitelli D.V.M Kathryn, Veterinary Medical Officer

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
325792	23-A-0532	001	JESSE M ZOOK	11-SEP-14

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000654	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000654	Total	