United States Department of Agriculture
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Inspection Report

Tropaquatics Inc.
4990 Paris Street
Denver, CO 80239

Customer ID: **326879**
Certificate: **84-B-0118**
Site: 001
Tropaquatics, Inc.

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 04-JUN-2019

3.130 DIRECT

WATERING.

An enclosure housing ten ferrets has a dirty water receptacle as the only source of drinking water. The water in the receptacle is cloudy and grayish-brown with sediment and debris floating in the water and accumulating on the bottom of the container. Dirty water is unhealthy to animals and could be contaminated with toxins and / or infectious agents that could sicken the animals. All water receptacles shall be kept clean and sanitary.
CORRECT BY: immediately

3.131(a)

SANITATION.

A fifty gallon livestock trough being used as an enclosure to house ten ferrets has an excessive accumulation of feces at one end of the enclosure. Due to the number of animals in the enclosure, it is not possible for the animals to avoid this area and therefore they are being contaminated by the fecal waste. Fecal contamination of the animals can irritate and infect the skin and be a source of intestinal diseases. The litter in the enclosure is excessively soaked by urine. There is a strong ammonia odor coming from the enclosure. The inspectors nose was irritated by this odor when he lowered his head towards the top of the enclosure to inspect it. The ammonia in the air in the enclosure can irritate the eyes and airways of the ferrets causing discomfort to the animals and making them susceptible to respiratory and eye infections. Excreta shall be removed from primary enclosures as often as necessary to prevent contamination of the animals contained therein and to minimize disease hazards and to reduce odors.
CORRECT BY: immediately

This inspection done on 04 June 2019 and exit interview done on 05 June 2019 were conducted with facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000009	*Cavia porcellus*	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000015	*Mesocricetus auratus*	SYRIAN / GOLDEN HAMSTER (COMMON PET/RESEARCH TYPE)
000010	*Mustela putorius furo*	DOMESTIC FERRET
000034	**Total**	