



May 20, 2019

Animal and Plant
Health Inspection
Service

Animal Care
4700 River Road
Riverdale, MD 20737

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Boston University
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Boston, MA 02218

Dear (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

We reviewed your request from February 25, 2019, for an exception to the regulatory requirement under Title 9 Chapter 1 Section 2.31(d)(1)(x), which limits an animal to one major operative procedure, absent certain circumstances. You also provided additional information explaining that these animals were previously part of a study at the institution that currently houses them, that the study involved major operative procedures, and that the investigator has now moved to your institution and will continue with the study, which involves additional major operative procedures. The new protocol (#PROTO201800695) expires February 13, 2022, though the research is expected to continue for 6 years. **Your request for an exception is approved from 5/20/2019 to 2/13/2022.**

Boston University must reflect this exception on its Annual Reports for each year within the approval period as set forth under Title 9 Chapter 1 Section 2.36(b)(3). You may submit another request for an exception at the end of the approval period to Animal Care's Raleigh office if necessary.

I apologize for the delayed reply and appreciate your efforts to comply with the Animal Welfare Act regulations. Please call our Raleigh office at (919) 855-7100, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Bernadette Juarez
Deputy Administrator
Animal Care