



Inspection Report

Alpha Genesis Inc
95 Castle Hall Rd
Yemassee, SC 29945

Customer ID: 905
Certificate: 56-B-0120
Site: 001
ALPHA GENESIS INC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 23-FEB-2016

2.131(b)(1) REPEAT

HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

The following incidents occurred in 2015 at the Yemassee location which resulted in distress, injury, or death of nonhuman primates.

On 8-28-15 a juvenile macaque was removed from its group and treated for trauma. Then its tattoo was read incorrectly and it was placed into the wrong social group. Although fighting in the group was observed that day and the new animal removed, it died of its injuries the next day. The facility stated they are retraining employees to double check both tattoo areas on animals for identification and before returns to proper enclosures.

On 2-17-15, a rhesus macaque was found down in its home cage and immediately taken to the clinic for treatment for dehydration. It was not until the next day when another animal was found to be dehydrated that it was discovered the water line supplying the cage rack was still turned off from where the cages were pressure washed on 2-11-15. The five remaining animals were taken to the clinic for medical examination and treatment of dehydration and all survived. Although there is a Standard Operating Procedure in place for checking water fixtures, this was not followed when three different animal care technicians washed the cage rack down and did not check the water fixtures. In this case, lack of following protocols and inattention led to discomfort and illness of several animals and the death of one. The facility states program wide retraining has been done and the facility is reviewing and making additional programmatic changes to prevent future incidences.

All animal handling needs to be done as carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause physical harm or unnecessary discomfort.

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PRIMARY ENCLOSURES.

During this inspection the USDA inspectors and the Attending Veterinarian entered Building 4 where a female cynomologus macaque was found loose in the room. The animal escaped from its primary enclosure. Her cage was closed with a clip not a lock. Two caretakers were notified and the animal was returned to a cage unharmed.

On 6-1-15 two cynomologus, escaped from an outdoor chain link enclosure at Yemassee primate center by breaking some thin wire attaching the fence to the frame. One was captured with bait, but the other one needed to be darted because it was near the perimeter fence. The darted one suffered internal injuries which even with treatment, led to its death. All of the fencing attached like this is being replaced as quickly as possible.

All primary enclosures must contain nonhuman primates securely and prevent accidental opening of the enclosure, including by the animal. To be corrected from this day forward.

Exit briefing conducted with facility representatives and VMOs Lisa MacElderry and John Lopinto.

Additional Inspectors

Lopinto John, Veterinary Medical Officer

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Species Inspected

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905	56-B-0120	001	ALPHA GENESIS INC	23-FEB-16

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000016	<i>Chlorocebus aethiops</i>	AFRICAN GREEN MONKEY / GRIVET
003191	<i>Macaca fascicularis</i>	CRAB-EATING MACAQUE / CYNOMOLGUS MONKEY
002109	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>	RHESUS MACAQUE *MALE
000032	<i>Sapajus appella</i>	BROWN CAPUCHIN / TUFTED CAPUCHIN
005348	Total	