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Dear Dr. Geng,

Attached please find Dr. Axel Wolff's initial response to OLAW Case A4550-A.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us by phone or by e-mail.

Regards, Joan

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June 5, 2019

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance A4550-01 [OLAW Case A]

Dr. Yu Geng President ProSci, Inc. 12170 Flint Place Poway, California 92064

Dear Dr. Geng,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) has received an allegation of noncompliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at ProSci, Inc. The complaint was made by a client who purchased monoclonal antibodies from rabbits and states the following:

- 1) ProSci, Inc. does not have an occupational health and safety program in place for employees working with animals. Please elaborate on the description of the risk-based occupational health and safety program described in the Animal Welfare Assurance.
- 2) ProSci, Inc. does not have a temperature control system in place for rabbits housed in a pole barn structure.
- 3) ProSci, Inc. does not have a vermin control system in place.

Please have the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee assess whether these statements are true, and if so, provide a reasonable and specific plan and schedule for correction of these serious deviations from the provisions of the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*. Please provide a response by **July 15, 2019**. Feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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Axel Wolff, M.S., D.V.M.

Deputy Director
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare

cc: IACUC Chair

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