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November 6, 2019

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance
A3823-01 [OLAW Case 8H]

Dr. Mary Dickinson
Vice President and Dean of Research
Baylor College of Medicine
One Baylor Plaza, BCM335
Houston, TX 77030

Dear Dr. Dickinson,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your November 5, 2019 letter reporting an instance of noncompliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at Baylor College of Medicine. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that an anesthetized pig was euthanized with recently expired euthanasia solution. The terminal procedure and euthanasia were conducted successfully.

The preventive actions consisted of segregating drugs that will expire within one week and having staff enter the expiration date of a drug in the log before accessing the container. Drugs, storage cabinets, and logs are reviewed weekly.

Based on its assessment of this explanation, OLAW understands that measures have been implemented to prevent recurrence of this problem. OLAW concurs with the actions taken by the institution to comply with the PHS Policy.

Sincerely,

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Axel Wolff, M.S., D.V.M.
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cc: IACUC Chair



A3823-8H
no open case

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November 5, 2019

Brent Morse, DVM, DACLAM
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RE: Assurance #D16-00475

Dear Dr. Morse,

As Institutional Official for Baylor College of Medicine, I am reporting an incident in which an expired commercial euthanasia solution was administered to a sow while under anesthesia for a terminal procedure. The animal was euthanized appropriately and effectively under the care of a clinical veterinarian and did not experience any issues.

The euthanasia solution expired several days prior to use and was not yet moved to an expired drug storage cabinet. Appropriate corrective measures have been put into place and include segregating drugs that will expire within one week, and the drug log will include a highlighted expiration date entry that must be completed before removing drug bottles from the storage cabinet. The drugs, cabinets, and drug logs are reviewed on a weekly basis.

This incident is being reported to you as well as the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care International.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Mary Dickinson, PhD
Vice President and Dean of Research
Institutional Official
Baylor College of Medicine

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Thank you for providing this report (b) (6) We will send an official response soon.

Best regards, Brent Morse

Brent C. Morse, DVM, DACLAM
Director
Division of Compliance Oversight
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Dear Dr. Morse,

Please find the attached incident notification as determined by our IACUC, and sent on behalf of Dr. Mary Dickinson, Institutional Official.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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