

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE



In re:) AWA Docket No. 14-0082, DC
)
THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS,)
a public educational institution,)
)
Respondent.) Consent Decision and Order

This proceeding was instituted under the Animal Welfare Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.)(Act), by a complaint filed by the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture, alleging that the respondent violated the regulations and standards issued pursuant to the Act (9 C.F.R. § 1.1 et seq.). This decision is entered pursuant to the consent decision provisions of the Rules of Practice applicable to this proceeding (7 C.F.R. § 1.138).

The respondent admits the jurisdictional allegations in the complaint, specifically admits that the Secretary has jurisdiction in this matter, neither admits nor denies the remaining allegations, waives oral hearing and further procedure, and consents and agrees, for the purpose of settling this proceeding, to the entry of this decision. The complainant agrees to the entry of this decision.

Findings of Fact

1. The University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) is a public educational institution whose address is 909 North Koyukuk Drive, Suite 212, Post Office Box 757270, Fairbanks, Alaska 99775. UAF is governed by the University of Alaska Board of Regents. At all relevant times UAF was registered and operating as a research facility under the Act, and was assigned registration number 96-R-0001.

Conclusions of Law

Respondent having admitted the findings set forth above, and the parties having agreed to

the entry of this decision, such decision will be entered.

Order

1. Respondent, its agents and employees, successors and assigns, directly or through any corporate or other device, shall cease and desist from violating the Act and the regulations and standards issued thereunder.


2. Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of \$127,100, payable to the Treasurer of the United States.

The provisions of this order shall become effective immediately. Copies of this decision shall be served upon the parties.


THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS
Respondent

By

Its Chancellor


Colleen A. Carroll
Attorney for Complainant

Done at Washington, D.C.,
this 5th day of April 2014


Administrative Law Judge