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Re: Animal Welfare Assurance A4091-01 [OLAW Case 3X]

Dr. Fred H. Cate
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Indiana University School of Medicine
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Bloomington, IN 47408

Dear Dr. Cate,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your November 10, 2017 letter reporting a serious deviation from the provisions of the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals* at Indiana University. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that one mouse cage was overcrowded due to delayed weaning.

The corrective action consisted of separating the mice and having the animal care staff separate the mice for this Principal Investigator going forward.

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

Sincerely,

Signature

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Deputy Director
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare

cc: IACUC Chair

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November 10, 2017

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RE: Notice of Non-compliance for Assurance D16-00584 (A 4091-01): Indiana University School of Medicine – Indianapolis.

Dear Dr. Morse:

This letter reports a new incident of non-compliance with PHS Policy and the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals at the Indiana University School of Medicine for one of our IACUC protocols covering laboratory mice.

An issue of possible animal welfare was discussed at the September 2017 SOM IACUC full board committee meeting. Please find a summary of the reported incident below.

At the September 2017 School of Medicine IACUC meeting, the committee discussed a report about overcrowding of one mouse cage due to delayed weaning. Once LARC was aware of the issue, they separated the mice into an appropriate number of cages. To ensure this will not occur in the future, LARC services will continue to separate the cages for this PI.

After significant time in deliberation and based on their understanding of the facts presented, federal regulations, and expectations, the IACUC committee members determined that this issue qualifies as an animal welfare concern.

This activity is supported by PHS funds (5R01CA182947-04, 5R01AG046246-05, and 5R01HL096305-08). The program officials are copied on this letter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions after receiving this letter.

Sincerely yours,
Signature

Fred H. Cate Vice President for Research Distinguished Professor and C. Ben Dutton Professor of Law

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School of Medicine – Indianapolis)

Thank you for submitting this report to OLAW. We will send an official response soon.

Regards, Brent Morse

Brent C. Morse, DVM, DACLAM
Acting Director
Division of Compliance Oversight
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare
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Dear Dr. Morse:

Attached here, please find a report of an instance of non-compliance with PHS Policy at Indiana University. This activity is funded by PHS funds (5R01CA182947-04, 5R01AG046246-05, and 5R01HL096305-08); the program officials are copied here.

Thank you,

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