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August 7, 2018

Re: Animal Welfare Assurance
A3033-01 [OLAW Case 1Z]

Dr. Sandra A. Brown
Vice Chancellor for Research Affairs
University of California-San Diego
9500 Gilman Drive, [REDACTED]
LaJolla, CA 92093-0043

Dear Dr. Brown,

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) acknowledges receipt of your August 6, 2018 letter reporting a serious deviation from the provisions of the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals* at the University of California- San Diego, following up on an initial telephone report on July 23, 2018. According to the information provided, OLAW understands that 22 frogs died due to the lack of a specific additive that had not been mixed into the tank water, which caused elevated ammonia levels.

The corrective actions consisted of changing out the tank water and retraining all staff in proper frog husbandry and water quality testing.

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,

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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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Wolff, Axel (NIH/OD) [E]

From: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 6:21 AM
To: IACUC
Cc: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD)
Subject: RE: Letter from University of California, San Diego

Thank you for this report. We will send a response soon.
Axel Wolff

From: IACUC [mailto:iacuc@ucsd.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, August 07, 2018 12:05 AM
To: OLAW Division of Compliance Oversight (NIH/OD) <olawdco@od.nih.gov>
Cc: Brown, Sandra <sandrabrown@ucsd.edu>; Richter, Philip <pjrichter@ucsd.edu>; Gorman, Michael <mgorman@ucsd.edu>; (b) (6) McMahonill, Angela <amcmahill@ucsd.edu>; Anderson-Vicino, Kristen <kca002@ucsd.edu>
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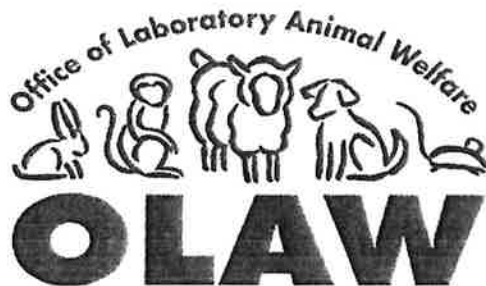
Dear Dr. Wolff,

Please find attached correspondence from Dr. Sandra A. Brown, Vice Chancellor for Research at the University of California, San Diego.

Regards,
Kristen

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Initial Report of Noncompliance

By: aw

Date: 7/23/18

Time: 12:30

Name of Person reporting: KRISTINA Anderson Betwa

Telephone #: (b)(6)

Fax #:

Email:

Name of Institution: U of California - San Diego

Assurance number: A3033

Did incident involve PHS funded activity? No

Funding component: _____

Was funding component contacted (if necessary): _____

What happened?

Happened 2/20/17. 22 frogs died. Tech didn't add a water chemical

Species involved:

Personnel involved:

Dates and times:

Animal deaths: 23

Projected plan and schedule for correction/prevention (if known): _____

Change out water, retain, No more problems

Projected submission to OLAW of final report from Institutional Official:

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