



# Inspection Report

Flat Creek Farm  
10686 E 200 N  
Loogootee, IN 47553

Customer ID: **41948**  
Certificate: **32-A-0358**  
Site: 001  
FLAT CREEK FARM

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: Dec-16-2014

### 3.1 (d)

#### HOUSING FACILITIES, GENERAL.

Currently there is not an adequate light source that can illuminate the indoor area over the whelping pens in the center of the facility or the covered whelping boxes on the left side of the barn. The barn that holds the 3 Bulldogs and 1 Shar Pei does not have enough light through the windows to illuminate the enclosures in cloudy or dark conditions. In order to conduct a thorough inspection and be able to see inside of the enclosures and look at the animals a flashlight and lantern needed to be used. The left side of the barn with the covered whelping boxes was in complete darkness by 430pm and is kept that way on days when it is cloudy. There is not much of a diurnal cycle allowed in that section of the barn with no light source.

Improper lighting can cause the licensee to miss any health issues on the regulated animals that develop, especially if the condition is small or subtle in appearance in the early stages. The lack of full illumination of the primary enclosures can result in improper cleaning and sanitization due to the dirty surfaces not being seen in the dim and partial lighting of lanterns or headlamps. Maintenance issues can also be missed with limited lighting in the facility.

The licensee must provide enough illumination in all of the enclosures , in both barns that will allow for complete thoroughness in cleaning, sanitization and maintenance of the enclosures, as well as provide the ability to visually observe all animals completely for any health issues.

To be corrected by: January 30, 2015

### 3.4 (b) (3)

#### OUTDOOR HOUSING FACILITIES.

There are five 2 door dog houses in five runs that house 13 dogs each that do not have any doors or flaps on the entry area that would provide a wind or rain break for the animals. While the houses are not facing the wind, there does need to be some sort of windbreak at the doors to prevent wind or rain from entering the housing, and protect the animals from drafts and weather.

The lack of a proper wind break at the entrance of the dog houses can cause wind, rain and other weather

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issues to make contact with the dogs and cause unnecessary discomfort or problems keeping the temperatures regulated during extreme cold weather conditions.

The licensee needs to provide some sort of wind and rain break at the entrances of the dog houses.

To be corrected by: December 26, 2014

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### PRIMARY ENCLOSURES.

There are 5 Beagle females with nursing puppies (6-9 per litter) that are in primary enclosures that are too small in height by at least 6 inches. There is a German Shepard female(39 inches) with 6 puppies that is housed in an enclosure of 24 sq. ft. that does not have 6 inches of space above her head, the female is let out twice per day for an hour for exercise. The 5 Beagles and 1 Shepard can not sit in a normal position with their heads up due to the ceiling of the enclosures being too small, the dogs need to keep their heads down between their shoulders then they walk or sit on their hip or their heads rub on the roof of the boxes.

Insufficient spacing and exercise room for the animals can cause behavioral and physical stresses on the animals, which can lead to health issues and possible compatibility issues between the puppies and the females. Small spacing with so many animals can also increase the chance of disease or stress related issues .

The licensee must provide enclosures that are high enough to provide at least 6 inches of space above the heads of the dogs to allow them to sit, stand and turn around in normal postural movements.

To be corrected by: December 25, 2014 for Shepard  
December 31, 2014 for Beagles

Inspection and exit interview conducted with facility representative.

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