



*Gregory F. Krug, President*

March 22, 2022

Dr. Elizabeth Goldentyer, D.V.M.  
Deputy Administrator  
APHIS Animal Care  
4700 River Road, Unit 84  
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Via email: [animalcare@usda.gov](mailto:animalcare@usda.gov)

RE: Official Warning, Reference number PA220008-AC

Dear Dr. Goldentyer,

Lampire is in receipt of the above referenced warning notice. We would like to restate our position on the alleged violation, as stated during the inspection on December 14, 2021. Lampire voluntarily notified USDA of the incident that occurred on December 13, 2021, the incident is described below.

Late at night on December 13, 2021, several agricultural animals managed to escape from their pen/ pasture. One animal wandered onto the road adjoining the facility and was struck by a passing vehicle. Unfortunately, the animal was killed as a result of the collision. The institution immediately reported the incident to USDA APHIS. While onsite December 14, 2021, USDA APHIS issued the institution a critical non-compliance. The facility manager, attending veterinarian, APHIS VMO and other experienced personnel conducted an extensive investigation of the pen/pasture and were collectively unable to determine the point of escape. All doors were closed, pen and pasture gates were closed and latched. The recently built barn and fencing were found to be sound and in good condition. Despite the inconclusiveness of an investigation, the facility constructed a secondary containment gate the same day the incident occurred. In addition, cameras have been added to the area for surveillance. USDA APHIS conducted a full inspection of all facilities December 14, 2021, there were no additional non-compliances identified.

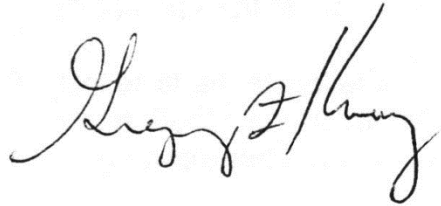
Lampire respectfully requests the following be noted. Lampire acknowledges the animal escaped containment. Facilities were found to be structurally sound and there was no maintenance required that had been identified during the inspection or afterwards by our team to include the fence line.

The regulation cited on the warning notice stated Lampire was in violation of the structural soundness and maintenance of the animal housing facilities. This statement does not appear to

be accurate because no structural soundness issues or maintenance requirements were noted. Again, Lampire's facility and fencing is recently built, and the structures are sound and in good condition. We respectfully request our response be noted to the warning notice to our file.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gregory F. Krug". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the left of the typed name.

Gregory F. Krug  
President