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CITATION AND NOTIFICATION OF PENALTY

We believe that you violated the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.) (AWA), as described below.

Date of Alleged Violation: November 2, 2020

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general. Structural strength.

The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

You failed to construct and maintain animal enclosures to contain the animals. During an inspection of your facility, conducted on November 2, 2020, APHIS officials discovered that four prairie dogs escaped their enclosure after an improperly repaired hole allowed them to get loose. At the time of inspection, three of the four prairie dogs were unaccounted for.

Date of Alleged Violation: On or about May 5, 2021 and May 20, 2021

9 C.F.R. § 2.131 Handling of animals.

(b)(1) Handling of all animals shall be done as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma, overheating, excessive cooling, behavioral stress, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort.

You failed to handle a neonate tiger cub as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma, overheating, excessive cooling, behavioral stress, physical harm, or unnecessary discomfort.

On or about May 5, 2021, you allowed a young tiger cub to be exposed to a dog. Photographs show interaction between the dog and the young cub.

On May 20, 2021, you exhibited a three-week-old tiger cub (“Dozer”) to school-aged children who were allowed to pet the



animal. The animal also participated in photograph opportunities during the exhibition.

Date of Alleged Violation: August 26, 2021

9 C.F.R. § 2.40(b)(2) Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care.

(b) Each dealer or exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include:

(2) The use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries, and the availability of emergency, weekend, and holiday care

You failed to seek and provide veterinary care for a young rabbit that APHIS officials observed with dried discharge on it's right ear, discharge around it's eyes, and hair loss on it's left hind foot. In advance of the inspection, the animal was also observed in poor condition and that its dam stopped letting it suckle.

Date of Alleged Violation: August 26, 2021

9 C.F.R. § 3.52(a) Facilities, outdoor. Shelter from sunlight.

When sunlight is likely to cause overheating or discomfort, sufficient shade shall be provided to allow all rabbits kept outdoors to protect themselves from the direct rays of the sun. When the atmospheric temperature exceeds 90 °F. artificial cooling shall be provided by a sprinkler system or other means.

You failed to provide sufficient shade to protect rabbits when sunlight was likely to cause overheating or discomfort. APHIS officials observed an enclosure housing nine rabbits that had insufficient natural shade and two shelters without adequate space to accommodate all of the rabbits.

Date of Alleged Violation: August 26, 2021

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general. Structural strength.

The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

You failed to maintain housing facilities in good repair to protect animals from injury and to contain the animals. APHIS officials observed several areas of your facility that required repair including:

- the broken chain link fencing with sharp points near the muntjac enclosure
- a fence panel that was bent and disconnected from the fence post in the sika deer enclosure



- the bent and damaged fencing in the barbary sheep enclosure caused by a fallen tree branch
- the wire mesh fencing that had a hole, loose wires, and was detached from the gate framing in the fallow deer enclosure.
- a wire panel with sharp points between the pens in the camel enclosure
- a leaning fence post between the enclosures housing wolves and bison.

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9 C.F.R. § 3.130 Watering.

If potable water is not accessible to the animals at all times, it must be provided as often as necessary for the health and comfort of the animal. Frequency of watering shall consider age, species, condition, size, and type of the animal. All water receptacles shall be kept clean and sanitary.

You failed to provide water to a liger as often as necessary for its health and comfort. APHIS officials observed an empty water receptacle in the enclosure. The damaged receptacle had a hole in it and had not been filled since 4 or 5 p.m. the day before. When the receptacle was filled, the liger drank continuously for at least four minutes.

Date of Alleged Violation: November 30, 2021

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(2) The use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries, and the availability of emergency, weekend, and holiday care;

You failed to seek and provide veterinary care for a brown Texas Dall lamb. APHIS officials observed the animals to have signs of scours. The animal was thin and walked in a weak, hunched manner. Despite recent de-worming treatment, you believed that the lamb may still have worms.

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The penalty for the alleged violation(s) described above is \$6,450.