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To Whom It May Concern:

I am providing Purdue University's 2019 **REVISED Annual Report**, at the request of the USDA veterinary medical officer assigned to review our report. Purdue University's Registration Number is 32-R-0007. **Additional information is provided in bold letters. We apologize for the error of reporting the total number of dogs and cats used during the 2019 reporting period (please see attached APHIS Form 7023).**

The Purdue University IACUC has granted one exception to the standards. This one exception has been applied to three separate approved animal use protocols. **The number of dogs affected by this exception was 146 out of the total number of 203 dogs.** Title of the approved protocols:

Small Animal Surgery I and II (Veterinary Clinical Sciences 81800 & 82000) – **84 dogs**  
General Surgery Laboratory (Veterinary Clinical Sciences 81100) – **38 dogs**  
Behavior, Husbandry and Diagnostic Techniques (Veterinary Clinical Sciences 501-503) – **24 dogs**

The IACUC has approved the short-term holding of dogs in surgical recovery cages with a smaller floor space than required by the regulations. These cages are listed in Purdue University's Canine Exercise Program document. The cages provide from 4.3 to 8.8 square feet.

In the case of Behavior, Husbandry and Diagnostic Techniques, dogs may be temporarily housed in these cages while being used in a laboratory session. These dogs are returned to their normal housing that same day.

It should also be noted the same cages are used for longer periods to hold local humane society animals. These animals are housed at Purdue University for a survival surgical procedure (spay or castration) performed under the aforementioned surgical laboratories. Ownership of these animals is not transferred to Purdue University and the animals are returned to the humane society within 48 hours. As for the Purdue owned animals, care is again taken to house the animals in cages most appropriate for their length. While at Purdue, the animals are walked by the students two to three times per day.

Please feel free to contact me if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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