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Dear Ms. Bender,

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Hi! I'm Cheryl Hailey from 9288 Lardus La. in C. Greenville, PA. 18041. My husband, Pete, and I have been breeding dogs (husky's and shepherd's) as a family hobby for a few years.

I am writing to comment on the proposed amendments to the PA dog law regulations issued on 12-16-06. I agree that puppy mills should be stopped, and any inhumane treatment of dogs be ended.

My biggest problem with the new proposed amendments, is that smaller breeders (such as my family) + dog owners who maintain their dogs in their own residential premises but are uncovered by the PA dog laws provide care + conditions far superior to the requirements of the proposed new standards, would be unable to comply with the rigid commercial standards. Also, the record keeping requirements with respect to exercise, cleaning, + other aspects of kennel management would be a huge burden, serving no useful purpose, + would be impossible to verify. We walk our dogs regularly for personal exercise as well as for companionship for us + the dogs. We love them + treat them as special parts of our family. Please don't push these extra requirements on all of us, taking away the joy of owning our →

pets, as well as teaching our children how to share in the responsibility of helping with them.

God created us to rule over animals, to protect and care for them, as well as each other. Please withdraw this proposal. The current regulations already haven't been enforced. I am asking that you (the Bureau) discontinue puppy mills or specific inhumane treatment that you see, but please let the people like my family who love their dogs + take pride in them, to continue to enjoy our hobby.

Thanks so much for your time,

Sincerely,

Cheryl Stealey