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From: Doug [mailto:ut1880h@comcast.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 08, 2010 10:31 PM
To: Smith, James M.
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August 8, 2010

It is very unfortunate that we need to write and urge you to enforce our new 2008 PA dog law 3 P.S. 459-207 (i) (3) (i) requiring the flooring of primary enclosures housing dogs over 12 weeks of age in commercial kennels, "shall not be metal strand.". We also urge you to enforce 3 P.S. 459-207 (i) (4) requiring that every adult dog have unfettered access to an outside exercise runway and 3 P. S. 459-207 (i) (6) requiring that the "exercise area must allow for unfettered clearance for dogs from their primary enclosures".

We resent the PA Dept. of Agriculture's attempts to change and/or circumvent these regulations and feel that in so doing you are blatantly working against the humane interests of the affected dogs. We are aware of your arguments for doing this and feel you are wrong. We are watching this closely and are holding you and your dept., as well as the Rendell administration, responsible for the outcome of these attempts and the well being of these animals.

Sincerely,
Douglas Harp & Sons
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