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FW: Comments for new regulations for commercial breeding facilities

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From: NUZZACI, LISA (ATTCINW) [mailto:LR4761@att.com]

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To: AG, CHBcomments

Subject: Comments for new regulations for commercial breeding facilities

I wanted to write to let you know that I wholeheartedly support the new regulations for ventilation, lighting, flooring and various other improvements to the living conditions of the dogs kept in these types of facilities.

As a person involved with animal rescue I have seen firsthand, on dozens of occasions, what these breeding operations/puppy mills do to these poor companion animals. They come out of there basically feral, never having been held, stroked, talked to. They are extremely fearful of humans, they bolt at the slightest movement out of fear and the unknown. They have eye infections, ear infections, matted fur, overgrown nails, and a whole host of other issues - all of which are extremely preventable.

It is a sin that in such a highly advanced nation like ours, we still allow our animals, those without a voice and who rely on us to take care of them, to live in these filthy conditions with the basic necessities not even met. We should be ashamed of ourselves that we've abandoned this portion of the dog population and looked the other way while hundreds and thousands of them slowly perished mentally and physically.

I have worked with so many cases of breeding females coming out of mills and if any of you have ever done so you would not hesitate to pass these basic regulations, which should have been on the books and enforced decades ago. To look the other way now, knowing all that you know, would be unconscionable.

Please pass these regulation and ensure the enforcement of all of the new regulations so these animals who are forced to live in these facilities will at least get basic care and the basic necessities of life.

Thank you.

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