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From: Brownfield, Jill [jbrownfiel@state.pa.us] on behalf of AG, CHBcomments [CHBComments@state.pa.us]
Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2009 4:24 PM
To: dhain@pahouse.net; IRRRC; kebersole@pasen.gov; Kennedy, David C. (AG); Kerry Golden; MULLER, JENNIFER; Smith, Jessie L; Thall, Gregory (GC); wgevans@pasenate.com
Subject: FW: Final PA CHB Comment spreadsheet
Attachments: PA_Report_10.28.09.csv

Dear Comment Recipients:

This final spreadsheet from the ASPCA lists persons who have attempted to send the ASPCA form comment to the PA Department of Agriculture through the ASPCA website. The total number is 1745. Because these comments all indicate ASPCA as the sender rather than the individuals' email addresses, these emails began to be rejected by the PDA server on October 6, 2009, and cannot be retrieved. The ASPCA cannot modify their site to change this. For this reason, the ASPCA alternatively sent weekly spreadsheets to PDA listing those persons who attempted to comment. This is the only information that will be available for these rejected comments.

A copy of the ASPCA form comment is posted on the IRRRC Web site. The individual e-mailed comments received before the PDA server began rejecting them, from October 5 and 6, 2009, were previously sent to you in spreadsheets prepared by PDA. The ASPCA spreadsheets include the comment sender information for those comments, as well as for the later rejected comments.

The PA Department of Agriculture also received 311 identical form letters stating the ASPCA comment. These form letters are being forwarded to you in batches with the subject line "ASPCA Identical Form Comment Letters Rec'd As Hard Copies." It is unknown whether these commentators also e-mailed their comments, or sent them hard copy only.

Thank you.

From: carries@aspca.org [mailto:carries@aspca.org]
Sent: Wednesday, October 28, 2009 1:29 PM
To: Smith, Jessie L
Subject: Re: Final PA CHB Comment spreadsheet

Hi Jessie,

Here's the last report -- 38 additional folks have signed since we last checked on Friday.

Thanks for working with us on this and being so flexible!

-Carrie

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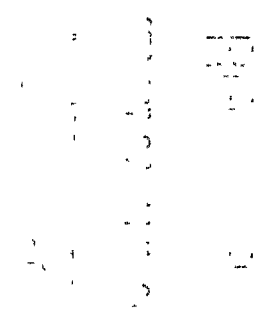
To "carries@aspca.org" <carries@aspca.org>

cc "Brownfield, Jill" <jbrownfiel@state.pa.us>

Subject Final PA CHB Comment spreadsheet

Good morning, Carrie! The comment period closed yesterday, so if you could send a final spreadsheet with those who sent comments through midnight yesterday, that would be great. The last spreadsheet was sent Friday, Oct 23 midafternoon. Thanks. Jessie

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Oct 5, 2009

Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement PA

To: Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement,

As a concerned Pennsylvania citizen, I respectfully submit the following comments in support of the Department of Agriculture's proposed rulemaking regarding standards for commercial kennels. The notice was published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on September 12, 2009 (7 Pa.Code CHS. 28 and 28a).

Background:

The Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement within the Department of Agriculture is charged with implementing and enforcing the Dog Law, which was passed to ensure the humane care and treatment of dogs in the Commonwealth. In 2008, the Pennsylvania General Assembly passed significant amendments to the Dog Law and created the Canine Health Board to establish appropriate ventilation, humidity, ammonia, and lighting ranges for commercial kennels, as well as consider alternative flooring options to those set forth in the law. The proposed regulations are the result of the Canine Health Board's recommendations for those standards.

Ventilation:

The proposed regulations require that "ventilation be achieved through a mechanical system that will allow for 8 to 20 air changes per hour, keep consistent moderate humidity, keep the kennel from becoming too hot, keep ammonia levels and particulate matter low, and to keep odor minimized...". While generally I support these standards, it is well established that a minimum of 10 air changes per hour should be required in all animal spaces. As a result, I recommend that the required air changes per hour be changed to reflect this standard.

I commend the Department of Agriculture and the Canine Health Board for proposing a requirement that kennels use a mechanical ventilation system that provides ventilation,

heating, and cooling. Such a system is imperative to ensure the health and comfort of dogs housed in kennel facilities.

Lighting:

I commend the Department of Agriculture and the Canine Health Board for acknowledging the importance of exposure to natural light and a diurnal cycle for dogs housed in a kennel environment. I fully support the lighting requirements proposed in these regulations.

Flooring:

I fully support the flooring requirements proposed in these regulations.

[Insert Additional Comments Here]

Conclusion:

Based on the foregoing comments, I fully support the proposed regulatory package presented by the Department of Agriculture and the Canine Health Board with the recommended changes, and encourage promulgation of the new regulations as expeditiously as possible. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Last_Name	First_Name	City	State	ZIP	State_Hou	State_Sena	Response_Date
Lamparella	Jill	Langhorne	PA	19047-276	160	9	#####
Goeltsch	Debbi	Carlisle	PA	17015-935	199	31	#####
Winters	Harriet	West Alexa	PA	15376-224	49	46	#####
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Leonhard	Amanda	Dillsburg	PA	17019-963	196	31	#####
Hermely	Glenn	Levittown	PA	19057-321	141	6	#####
Woolley	Jennifer	Easton	PA	18045-810	138	18	#####
Sherwood	Rena	Clifton Heig	PA	19018-231	163	26	#####
Williams	Matthew	Harrisburg	PA	17112-212	105	15	#####
Venerick	Megan	Clearfield	PA	16830-260	74	25	#####
Fresoli	Maria	Bethlehem	PA	18017-320	135	18	#####
Youndt	Courtney	New Hollar	PA	17557-880	99	36	#####
Frey	Gerard	Scranton	PA	18509-261	112	22	#####
Venturino	Lauren	Pittsburgh	PA	15211-233	22	42	#####
Carbonetti	Jill	Lancaster	PA	17603-504	96	13	#####
Mitchell	Carol	Pottstown	PA	19465-811	26	19	#####
Ryczak	Joanne	Peckville	PA	18452-112	115	22	#####
Benner	Jennifer	York	PA	17404-641	47	28	#####
PAZSINT	CAROLYN	New Castle	PA	16107-893	9	47	#####
Schwartz	Lisa	Philadelph	PA	19128-371	13	13	#####
Burrell	Michelle	Dunmore	PA	18509-250	112	22	#####
Yablonsky	Charlene	Throop	PA	18512-133	113	22	#####
Brosowski	Joerg	Berwyn	PA	19312-195	167	26	#####
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Rosenbaun	Leslie	Shavertown	PA	18708-977	120	20	#####
De Luca	Leonora	Rockledge	PA	19046	170	4	#####
Deluca	Linda	Southampt	PA	18966-391	178	12	#####
Hennessey	Lita	West Lawn	PA	19609-200	128	48	#####
Paul	Judy	Exton	PA	19341-146	155	19	#####
Baxter	Suzanne	Wallingfor	PA	19086-650	161	9	#####
Lower	Valerie	Sandy Lake	PA	16145-471	17	50	#####
Smith	Cindy L	Indiana	PA	15701-240	62	41	#####
Downham	Kathryn	West Ches	PA	19382-544	156	19	#####
Benner	Ruth	York	PA	17404-641	47	28	#####
Connelly	Elisa	Pittsburgh	PA	15235-210	32	43	#####
solovey	heidi	Mountain T	PA	18707-101	119	20	#####
Engelmeier	Leslie	Wexford	PA	15090-795	28	40	#####