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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

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ANIMAL RESEARCH SERVICE/)
NATIONAL ANIMAL DISEASE)
CENTER,)
Respondent)

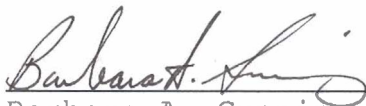
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REPORT RECOMMENDING CONTINUATION
OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS

The Report approved June 9, 2006 provides that this alternative dispute resolution (ADR) process terminates August 11, 2006. The recommendation of this Report is that the ADR process be continued for a final month, to September 11, 2006.

This continuation of the ADR process is recommended because the parties' negotiations have made substantial progress toward a settlement, but additional time is needed if a settlement is to be actually concluded. In a conference call on August 8, 2006, the parties agreed to a continuance of the ADR process. The parties' chances of achieving a settlement are sufficient to justify the continuation.

Accordingly, the undersigned will continue to work as a Neutral in this case and will file another report with the Chief Administrative Law Judge by September 11, 2006 unless otherwise directed by her.¹


Barbara A. Gunning
Administrative Law Judge
Dated: August 9, 2006

Approved: 
Susan L. Biro
Chief Administrative Law Judge

Dated: 8/9/06

¹Another conference call is scheduled for August 21, 2006.

**In the ADR Matter of *United States Department of Agriculture Animal Research Service / National Animal Disease Center*, Respondent.
Docket No. RCRA-05-2006-0153**

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the foregoing **Report Recommending Continuation of Alternative Dispute Resolution Process**, dated August 9, 2006, was sent this day in the following manner to the addressees listed below.



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