2.32 (a) REPEAT  DIRECT NCI

PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS.

Section 2.32 (a) states - "It shall be the responsibility of the research facility to ensure that all scientists, research technicians, animal technicians, and other personnel involved in animal care, treatment, and use are qualified to perform their duties. This responsibility shall be fulfilled in part through the provision of training and instruction to those personnel."

1. Facility personnel recognized unusual behavior in NHP #156-96 on 2/26/12. The clinical veterinarian was immediately contacted to evaluate the animal’s condition. A diagnosis of dehydration was made and the veterinarian made the decision to euthanize the NHP due to the animal’s recent health history.

It was determined that the dehydration was the result of employee error in not providing a water bottle to one of the enclosures in a quad unit on 2/25/12 after the water bottles were removed and then refilled. As a result the NHP did not have a water bottle and the animal did not have access to a sufficient amount of water to maintain normal hydration.

Per this Section of the Regulations, it is the responsibility of a research facility to ensure that all employees involved in animal care are qualified and trained to perform their duties.

This incident was reported by the research facility to the USDA.

NOTE - This was a FOCUSED inspection based on the DIRECT non-compliant items identified at the last inspection. Exit interview held 3/7/12 on-site at Site 001 with facility personnel.

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