## UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA MONROE

TO:

Dr. Eric Pani, Institutional Official as per PHS assurance #A3646-01

Dr. Leonard Clark, Director, Office of Sponsored Programs and Research

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FROM:

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Chair, IACUC

SUBJECT: Semiannual Evaluation of Animal Care and Use Program and Inspection of Facilities

DATE: Dec 12, 2014

This represents the semiannual report of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) to the Institutional Official, as required by the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, as a condition of this institution's Animal Welfare Assurance with the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW), and the Animal Welfare Act and USDA Animal Welfare Regulations, as applicable.

## Review of Animal Care and Use Program

The IACUC conducted its semiannual evaluation of the institution's animal care and use program on October 27, 2014 using the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (Guide), 8<sup>th</sup> edition*, and as applicable, 9 CFR Chapter I, 2.31. No major deficiencies were identified. All aspects of the program are consistent with PHS Policy, the *Guide*, 8<sup>th</sup> ed. and applicable Animal Welfare Regulations. Two protocols previously approved with a departure from the *Guide* remain active.

Two new animal welfare assurance proposals on were evaluated and approved by full committee (FCR). Ten active 3-yr-old protocols were re-reviewed and approved. There are currently 39 protocols in effect. An audit of all active protocols will take place prior to the semiannual meeting in April, 2015.

The IACUC wishes to inform the institutional official that a replacement for the ex officio representative to IACUC from Office of Sponsored Programs and Reseach has not been named. This position was vacated by Dr. William McGown upon his reassignment from the Interim Director position of OSPR.

## Inspection of Animal Facilities

The IACUC inspected the Bienville animal facilities on Oct 27, 2014 using the 8<sup>th</sup> ed. of *Guide* for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (Guide), and as applicable, 9 CFR Chapter I, 2.31. Facility inspection was aided by use of the OLAW checklist. No deficiencies were noted.

Departures from the Guide

Departures from the *Guide*, 8<sup>th</sup> ed., continue in protocols 13APR-HMM-01 and 13APR-HMM-02 with non-humane, experimental endpoints that were approved by IACUC based upon scientific justification on 4/3/13.

Minority Views:

No minority views were offered in objection or to modify this report.

## Signatures:

Names of IACUC members

Dr. Sharon A. Meyer, Chair

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Signatures