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

FROM:

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Chair, IACUC

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

DATE: May 18, 2017

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 April 26, 2017 using the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (Guide),* 8th edition, and as applicable, 9 CFR Chapter I, 2.31. No deficiencies, significant or minor, were identified. All aspects of the program are consistent with PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, 2015 revision; the *Guide*, 8th ed.; and applicable Animal Welfare Act regulations.

Two protocols previously approved with a departure from the <u>Guide</u> expired Dec 31, 2016.

Six animal welfare assurance proposals were approved in this cycle by full committee review at the April meeting. Also, three protocols were approved in the interval between the Apr and Oct meetings by designated member review [DMR]. Protocols for DMR were emailed to the full committee, which were allowed a 1-wk preview period for any IACUC member for comment. There are currently 31 protocols in effect. An audit of all active protocols will take place prior to the semiannual meeting October, 2017.

Inspection of Animal Facilities

The IACUC inspected the Bienville animal facilities on Apr 26, 2017 using the 8th 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

No protocols with departures from the Guide, 8th ed., are active.

Minority Views:

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

Signatures:

Names of IACUC members

Dr. Sharon A. Meyer, Chair

Dr. John Carr

Dr. Keith Jackson

Dr. Seetharama Jois

Mr. Steve Tolson

Dr. Brent White

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