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From: Burger, Karina
Sent: Wednesday, March 31, 2004 4:27 PM
To:
Subject: information request on Kathy Bauck

Dear Ms. Laramee,

Dr. Hartmann referred your letter to me for reply regarding Kathy Bauck of New York Mills, MN.

Our policy for an information request like yours is to have you fill out a data request form, explaining exactly what information you would like. I'm mailing you one of these forms. Please fill it out and send it back to me. I am estimating that there would be no cost to you, unless your request takes much longer than I think it would.

For your information, breeding and boarding facilities do not come under the jurisdiction of the Board of Animal Health; we only license and inspect premises that deal in stray, abandoned or unwanted animals. USDA-APHIS REAC does license some breeders. The person there you may wish to contact is Cathy Hovancsak, their regional inspector, at (952)808-0402 -- leave a voice mail message. She may have inspection reports and other pertinent information related to licensed facilities. Other sources of information would be the local police department and/or humane society.

I hope this information is useful. Let me know specifically what information you would like from our records.

Sincerely,

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RoseMarie Laramee

Dear Ms. Laramee:

Enclosed please find the information you requested from our office on April 2, 2004 regarding a kennel owned by Kathy Bauck of New York Mills, Minnesota. I am enclosing a copy of your data request form as well.

As I mentioned in my previous email letter, breeding and boarding facilities do not come under the jurisdiction of the Board of Animal Health; we only license and inspect premises that deal in stray, abandoned or unwanted animals. Therefore, we do not have any inspection reports or information on illnesses at Ms. Bauck's kennel. For that information, you may wish to contact USDA-APHIS REAC, who does license some breeders. The person there to contact is Cathy Hovancsak, their regional inspector, at (952)808-0402 -- leave a voice mail message. She may have inspection reports and other pertinent information related to licensed facilities. Other sources of information would be the local police department and/or humane society.

I am enclosing the information that we do have. It consists of a police investigation of Ms. Bauck's kennel, a continuation report and associated letters from October to December of 1996; a complaint about this kennel dated May 11, 1997; and two health certificates for puppies which Kathy Bauck received from North Dakota in September of 1997. I did not find any paperwork on Bichon Frise puppies at this kennel in 1997, but the only information we would have had would have been health certificates for interstate movement of animals. We usually do not retain these health certificates for more than three years, so it was not surprising to me that I could not find the certificates that pertained to the movement of your dog. We just happened to have the certificates that I am sending you from 1997 in our files.

I hope that this information is useful to you and truly wish you the best of luck in caring for your dog.

Sincerely,

Karin Bauck, DVM

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