

**Exhibit 14**

**7/13/15 Letter from OLAW Director to NIH Contract Officers**



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

National Institutes of Health  
Bethesda, Maryland 20892

DATE: July 13, 2015  
TO:   
Contract Officer, OA, OLAO, OALM, OD, NIH  
FROM: Director, Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare, OD, NIH  
SUBJECT: OLAW Investigation of Primate Products Inc.

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) has opened an investigation regarding alleged animal mistreatment at Primate Products, Inc. (PPI). HHS acquisition regulations require all contractors housing non-human primates owned by the Public Health Service (PHS) to maintain compliance with the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (Policy).

OLAW sent a letter to PPI on June 5, 2015 and directed PPI to address the allegations and to provide a specific plan and schedule for corrections for identified noncompliance. PPI has been given the opportunity to take corrective action.

During the time that this matter is under investigation, OLAW requests the following actions concerning nonhuman primates owned by the NIH and housed at PPI under Contract # HHSN2632010000511, NIH Nonhuman Primates Acquisition, Testing, Transportation and Housing:

1. Animals currently housed continue to be maintained and cared for as required under the contract;
2. Animals may be shipped to other facilities including NIH facilities to support the needs of the NIH intramural program;
3. No new animals are to be shipped to PPI until OLAW completes the investigation and provides further guidance;
4. No new animal purchase delivery orders are to be processed with PPI until further notice.

OLAW will keep you apprised of ongoing developments with the investigation and further steps that may be required involving the contract. Thank you for your assistance with this case.



Patricia A. Brown, V.M.D., M.S.

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Contract Specialist, CPARS Focal Point, AMOB, NIAID  
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