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August 27, 2010

Dr. John E. Hall
Associate Vice Chancellor for Research
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2500 North State Street
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Dear Dr. Hall:

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) has reviewed and approved the Animal Welfare Assurance (Assurance) which was submitted in compliance with the Public Health Service (PHS) Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (Policy) revised August 2002.

Your renewed Assurance with identification #A3275-01 became effective on August 27, 2010 and supersedes any previously issued Assurance. The approval period is for four years, and will expire on August 31, 2014. Please be sure to reference your Assurance number in all correspondence to this Office.

The Assurance is a key document in defining the relationship of your Institution to the PHS since it sets forth the responsibilities and procedures of your Institution regarding the care and use of laboratory animals. Among the important elements of the Assurance, I would especially call your attention to the reporting requirements which are essential for continued compliance with the PHS Policy.

Please note that an Annual Report to OLAW is required at least once every 12 months. The reporting period, unless requested otherwise in writing, is the calendar year. Reports, for the previous calendar year, are due **January 31**, in other words an Annual Report for 2010 will be due to OLAW by January 31, 2011.

A copy of the approved Assurance signature page is enclosed. If I may be of any further assistance, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Brent C. Morse, D.V.M.
Animal Welfare Program Specialist
Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare

cc: Jeffrey R. Henegar, Ph.D., IACUC Chair