

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

FOR US POSTAL SERVICE DELIVERY: Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare Division of Assurances 6700B Rockledge Drive Suite 2500, MSC 6910 Bethesda, Maryland 20892-6910 Home Page: http://olaw.nih.gov

May 24, 2022

Re: Assurance Approval for D16-00156 (A3244-01)

Colleen Fitzgerald, Ph.D. Vice President, Research & Creative Activity North Dakota State University 1735 NDSU Research Park Drive NDSU Department 4000, PO Box 6050 Fargo, North Dakota 58108

Dear Dr. Fitzgerald:

I am pleased to inform you that the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) reviewed and approved your institution's Animal Welfare Assurance (Assurance) that was submitted in accordance with the Public Health Service (PHS) Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (Policy), revised 2015.

Your Assurance, identification number **D16-00156 (A3244-01)**, became effective on **May 24, 2022**, and will expire on **May 31, 2026**. Please include the Assurance number on all correspondence to OLAW. You will receive a copy of the signed Assurance document by email. The signature page provides verification of approval by OLAW and specifies the period during which your institution's Assurance is effective.

The Assurance is a key document that sets forth the responsibilities and procedures of your Institution regarding the care and use of laboratory animals according to the PHS Policy. The practices described in the Assurance document must be followed by all individuals in the animal care and use program.

Please note that the OLAW Annual Reporting period is the federal fiscal year, October 1 through September 30. The Annual Report to OLAW is due by December 1 (but no earlier than September 30).

Please contact me with questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Senior Assurance Officer, OLAW National Institutes of Health

cc: IACUC Contacts

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