

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE



OFFICIAL WARNING
VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

CASE NUMBER:
NJ140335-AC

VIOLATOR:
Envoy Nationwide, Inc.

ADDRESS (*Street, City, State, ZIP Code*):
Mechanicsville, VA 23116

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed the following violation(s) of Federal Regulations:

Date of Violation: August 5, 2014

9 C.F.R. § 2.25(a) Requirements and procedures.

(a) Each carrier and intermediate handler, and each exhibitor not required to be licensed under section 3 of the Act and the regulations of this subchapter, shall register with the Secretary by completing and filing a properly executed form which will be furnished, upon request, by the AC Regional Director. The registration form shall be filed with the AC Regional Director for the State in which the registrant has his or her principal place of business, and shall be updated every 3 years by the completion and filing of a new registration form which will be provided by the AC Regional Director.

You failed to register with the Secretary prior to transporting regulated animals. An unregistered person contacted you regarding 27 ferrets that were being flown from Newark Liberty International Airport to the Birmingham Airport and needed ground transportation to a research facility. You, in turn, contacted another unregistered person, to pick up and deliver the ferrets. Upon the ferrets' arrival at the research facility, 25 ferrets had died from overheating and the 2 remaining ferrets were euthanized because of overheating.

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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