



# Initial Incident Report

Missouri Department of Agriculture

Incident #: 13Y7153A-038

Date: 02-06-20	Time: 12:30	Initial MDA Contact: Nicole Kirsch	
Location of Incident (Include Physical Address): 10940 COUNTY ROAD 20 SARCOXIE MO 64862		County:  GREENE	
Contact Information of Parties Involved (Include as much info as possible):  WHITE OAK DAIRY (ANIMAL OWNER) COMPLAINANT PHONE NUMBER: [REDACTED]			
Type of Agricultural Incident (Explain): CATTLE NEGLECT			
Description of Incident/Situation:  <b>Complaint description:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The farm had many cows give birth at once and wanted 250 calves for replacement heifers. Past that, they don't seem to care about the rest of the calves who are born. The calves "drop down in the mud and drown," and most farmhands don't care to feed them. Some are shot in the head, but most drown in the mud. As many as 20 calves per day are dying.</li><li>• A manager named Cody kicks pregnant cows in the stomach, roughly handles cows by pulling on their legs and more, and is "a horrible person" to them.</li><li>• Mature cows have died and bloated in the paddocks where they lay, and are only taken to the dumpsters, which are overflowing, much later.</li><li>• The paddocks are extremely muddy, due to the farm not wanting to turn the cows out and tear up grass in other areas of the 800-acre property they own. They currently keep 200 cows in each 1-acre paddock.</li></ul>			
Who has been notified? PETA, HUMANE SOCIETY OF MO, MDA			
Actions Taken:			
MDA Personnel En-route/Assigned:		Test/Lab Results:	
Additional Contact Information :		Media Contact: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, Who? Date/Time and Summary:	
Signature (Initial MDA Contact) <i>Nicole Kirsch</i>		Office of the Director Notified? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Date/Time:	

PETA investigation of a New Zealand Dairy White Oak Dairy # 4, Avilla, MO

At 10 am Animal Health inspector Bradley Schofield and I arrived at 10940 County Road 20, Sarcoxie to investigate allegations of animal abuse and neglect. Upon arrival, 350 Jersey and Guernsey cows were observed crossing the country road on their way to the milk parlor. All animals had satisfactory body condition scores of 3 to 4 and seemed to be a picture of health. Upon visiting with the primary herdsman Cody Goswick, it was discovered that an employee had recently been terminated and was to vacate a home on the property. I called the complainant and explained that there was no evidence of neglect or animal abuse at this time. Christine Portmann Kallish of the Humane Society of Missouri was also contacted with my findings. This should close this case.























