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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

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In re:)	AWA Docket No. 07-0076
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RICKY KNIGHT,)	
)	CONSENT DECISION AND
Respondent)	ORDER

This proceeding was instituted under the Animal Welfare Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.), by a complaint filed by the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture, alleging that respondent willfully violated the Act and the regulations issued pursuant to the Act (9 C.F.R. § 1.1 et seq.). This decision is entered pursuant to the consent decision provisions of the Rules of Practice applicable to this proceeding (7 C.F.R. § 1.138).

The respondent named herein admits the jurisdictional allegations in the complaint and specifically admits that the Secretary has jurisdiction in this matter, neither admits nor denies the remaining allegations, waives oral hearing and further procedure, and consents and agrees, for the purpose of settling this proceeding, to the entry of this decision.

The complainant agrees to the entry of this decision.

Findings of Fact

1. Ricky Knight, hereinafter referred to as the respondent, is an individual who resides at 8941 State Highway Z, Fordland, Missouri 65652.
2. Respondent, at all material times mentioned herein, was operating as a dealer as defined in the Act and the regulations.

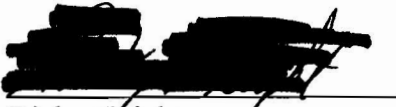
Conclusions


Respondent having admitted the jurisdictional facts and the parties having agreed to the entry of this decision, such decision will be entered.

Order

1. Respondent, his agents and employees, successors and assigns, directly or through any corporate or other device, shall cease and desist from violating the Act and the regulations issued thereunder, and in particular, to cease and desist from engaging in regulated activity before obtaining a license to do so.
2. Respondent's Animal Welfare Act license number 43-A-2840 is hereby revoked.

Copies of this decision shall be served upon the parties.


Ricky Knight
Respondent


Heather M. Pichelman
Attorney for Complainant

Done at Washington, D.C.
this 20 day of April, 2007


Administrative Law Judge
PETER M. DAVENPORT