The responsible use of animals is an essential part of the research, education and service missions of the University of South Alabama. It is the University community’s responsibility to ensure that these animals are used and cared for in a humane way. If you observe, or are informed about, inhumane or inappropriate care or use of an animal at the University, you should report the problem to the University so that action can be taken. You may address your concerns to the following, depending on your preference:

1. Dr. Diego Alvarez, MD, Ph.D., Chair of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). 460-6392. E-mail dalvarez@southalabama.edu

2. Ms. Jennifer Chaplin, Research Compliance Coordinator. 460-6863. E-mail jchaplin@southalabama.edu

3. Ms. Dusty Layton, Director, Research Compliance Assurance. 460-6625. E-mail dlayton@southalabama.edu

4. Michele Schuler, DVM, Ph.D., Director, University Biological Resources. 460-6239. E-mail mschuler@southalabama.edu After hours: 654-1102.

5. Samuel J. Strada, Ph.D., Dean, College of Medicine. 460-6041. E-mail sstrada@southalabama.edu

Although it is preferred that those reporting problems identify themselves, it is not necessary. Anonymous reports will also be investigated.

Approved by the University of South Alabama Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, April 18, 2002.