



ARDENTE VETERINARY NUTRITION

Exhibit Information

Do animals share a common space (yard, free-flight aviary, pond, etc.), and if so, do they access the space all together or in subgroupings? Please describe.

Are animals housed indoors, outdoors, or both? Does it depend on season? Please describe.

Diet and Enrichment Information

Feeding Strategy - Check one

- Fed together at same time, same feeding location Fed together at the same time, separate feeding locations
- Combination of feeding strategies

Instructions for the following questions:

- The "amount" provided must be measured by weight, as obtained using a gram scale.
- For each food item, provide the TOTAL weight of each ingredient fed daily.
- All food items will be assumed to be group fed, even if separate feeding locations, because of the opportunity for cross-over, and consumed in equal amounts by all animals, unless otherwise specified.

Possible scenarios to troubleshoot:

- Unlabeled cup or scoop: First measure the amount held in that cup/scoop - for example, "½ scoop" may actually represent a true 1 cup, as measured. Then weigh the volume of diet item held within that container.
- Abstract unit of measure (e.g. "one handful"), take one handful of the item and obtain the gram weight of that handful 5 days in a row. If different individuals are doing the feeding, make sure that each individual's handful is represented. Then calculate the average weight (grams) per handful by summing the gram weights from each of the 5 days, and dividing by 5. Provide that average weight as the "Amount" below.
- Hay/browse: For each type of hay/browse item, use either hook scale or flat platform scale and obtain average weight over 5 days.



Commercial Feeds

Describe all brands, product names, amounts, and frequency for ALL commercial foods offered as a part of regular diet.

Manufacturer	Product Name	Form	Amount	Frequency

Hay/Browse

List types of hay and browse offered

Producer/Distributor	State	Type of Hay/Browse	Amount	Frequency	Months Offered

Whole food items

List all other food items offered as a part of regular diet, including leafy greens, cut vegetables, fruit, meat, eggs, insects, etc.

Food item	Preparation*	Amount/Weight (grams)	Freq per day	Days per week



*Please provide information on how food items are prepared (whole vs. chopped, cooked vs. raw, live vs. frozen/thawed, etc.).

Other Food items

List other food items not already described that are offered enrichment, and/or medication purposes

Food item	Preparation	Amount/Weight (grams)	Frequency

Are there any seasonal variations to the diet provided (aside from enrichment items)? If so, please thoroughly describe.

In the last 5 years, have you ever had a nutrient analysis performed by a laboratory on either the whole diet and/or any individual food items (e.g. hay, browse, leafy greens, etc.)?

Yes (If yes, please provide copies of analyses.) No

Estimate what percentage of the diet offered is actually consumed on average. _____

Are there any food items that the animals particularly prefer? Please describe.

Are there any food items that the animals do not particularly like and/or refuse? Please describe.



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Which feeding methods are utilized for group feeding (check all that apply)?

- Bowl fed
 Items scattered around exhibit
 Free-choice grazing/browsing
 Target fed

If a combination of feeding methods are used, please describe.

Have you made any changes to the diet offered in the last 4 weeks?

- Yes
 No

If so, please describe the change(s) made.

Water and Supplement Information

Please describe how water is provided (water dish, water bottle, soaking food items, automatic filler etc.).

How often is water changed?

- Daily (1x/day)
 2x/day
 >2x/day
 Automatic filler

Are any additives put into the water (vitamins, flavors, etc.)?

- Yes
 No

If yes, please describe brand/type, quantity, frequency, administration, and consumption.

Are any dietary supplements (vitamins, fatty acids, oils, etc.) given?

- Yes
 No

If yes, please describe brand/type, quantity, frequency.

Manufacturer	Type	Dose	Frequency	Administration method	Reliable consumption (Y/N)



Are salt or trace mineral blocks provided?

Yes No

If yes, please describe brand, type, size, and frequency provided:

If yes, please describe the animal's usage on the scale of Low - Average – High:
