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## LCA SIU Log notes for C.C. Baird investigation

**Monday 12/3/01** I arrived at Martin Creek kennel on martin creek road at 7:00 am. C.C. Baird called me the day before, on 12/1/01 to set up an interview with me on 12/2/01 at 7:00 am. When I pulled onto the property I met Tim and Bill near the dog kennel, and they walked me into C.C. Baird's office. I was interviewed, denied being a member of PETA and hired to work that very morning. C.C Baird told me during the interview that dogs fighting is common at martin creek kennel, and that I should expect to see three to eight dead dogs a week. He also said that the dogs he received were old hound dogs nobody wanted anymore.

Tim showed me around the kennel, and explained to me my job would be watering the dogs after I sprayed their kennels clean. He demonstrated to me how to use the hose by putting a high-pressure nozzle on it, then spraying the dog's feces into a drain in the back of the kennel and in front of a wooden box. The dogs usually stood in while someone would spray with the hose. The dog's water bucket was emptied and set outside the kennel, but when using the hose for cleaning out feces, feces still ended up being sprayed into the dogs feed. Buckets and all over the dogs. Most of the dogs were terrified of the hose stream, and would share and hide in their boxes while their kennels were cleaned. The boxes themselves were encrusted with dog hair and feces so thick the hose couldn't blast it off even with the high-pressure nozzle, Tim demonstrated to me to spray the boxes even with dogs in them. The stream of water from the high-pressure nozzle hurt me whenever it accidentally hit me, and I believe it could put a dog's eye out if it was hit directly. I cleaned all of the kennels, and observed four dogs with mucus encrusted eyes, ant least a dozen dogs that were fighting, about half of which were bloody around the ears, nose and mouth and one small beagle with his eyes pointing off in opposite directions away from his nose. The kennels were filthy, and Tim explained to me he hadn't cleaned them the day before.

Bill told me, after I observed him drawing blood from a dog without using anything to sanitize the entry point of the needle before or after drawing blood, that the large amount of blood taken from a dog to fill a syringe could collapse a vein, in which case I should use another syringe on a different vein after the first had collapsed if I ever drew blood. He said that on small dogs, their veins would frequently collapse and nothing could be done to stop it.

Most pens house five to six dogs per pen, though some contain dogs all alone. 50% of the dogs appear to be hound, 30% beagles, and 20% mixed breeds, though mostly smaller and toy breeds.

### **Tuesday 12/4/01**

I again cleaned the kennels out with the hose, though I a first noticed a dog with a bloody stool and roundworms in it. I went to tell Tim, and he replied, "what's the problem? Clean it out" At least a dozen other fights broke out between the dogs again today, and three or four were bleeding one profusely from his nose, causing his water bucket to turn red after he drank in it.

Tim explained to me he hadn't fed or watered the dogs Sunday, but they were supposed to be fed every day. De demonstrated how to feed the dogs by dumping dog

into their buckets and letting much of it spill onto the kennel floor and into the dogs feces. Most of the food into dog's buckets was molded and decomposing.

I pointed out to Tim today how several dogs had spilt their water buckets, and eh told me to ignore it because they would just do it again.

Tim also told me to throw away dead rats I found at the kennel. He said he had put out poison in the water on the property to kill the rats. I found one dead rat in a dog pen, and Tim pointed out to me how rat feces were accumulating in the center dog kennel.

I frequently saw Tim dragging dogs by their necks with a rope leash when they wouldn't walk, and watched him at one point watch a dogfight for 15-20 seconds before entering the pen to stop it. He walked in with his leash, and I heard whipping noised and Tim say, "See that's what you get!"

### **Wednesday 12/5/01**

I found a dead beagle in a pen today as I was cleaning the kennels, and drug it out of the pen and left it on the pavement as I continued cleaning. Tim explained to me when he saw it to let him or bill know whenever I found "a dog like that" He ten carried it away out of my sight. I say several fights break out amongst dogs today, and one dog had his nose and tongue cut open, leaving him bleeding profusely. Tim showed me how to clean out dog kennels with bleach by scrubbing the wooden boxes, water buckets and feed buckets. I was told to dump the dog's food into separate boxes and that it was ok if food from different pens mixed. I explained to Tim I wanted to throw an entire bucket of feed away because it was mostly moldy, and said to dogs would eat it and to feed it to them. I found another dead rat in dogs pen today.

After cleaning for three days in the kennels, I believe it is impossible to not spray feces all over the dogs using the method I was shown.