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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE**

AWA Docket No. 17-0011

In re:

Mandy Swartz,

Petitioner.

**ORDER TERMINATING PROCEEDING PURSUANT TO
RESPONDENT'S WITHDRAWAL OF REQUEST FOR HEARING**

On November 17, 2016, Ms. Swartz filed a 9 CFR § 2.11(b) request for hearing regarding the October 28, 2016 denial by the Administrator of the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service ("APHIS") of her September 9, 2016 application for a Class A, Dealer's license under the Animal Welfare Act ("AWA").

Certain additional procedures were undertaken, including a March 3, 2017 telephone conference among the parties and me. *See* my March 3, 2017 "Summary of March 3, 2017 Telephone Conference," filed and served in this docket. At the telephone conference, the parties reported that settlement discussions were underway to resolve the proceeding. I instructed the parties to let me know by March 10, 2017 where settlement efforts stood.

On March 9, 2017, Ms. Swartz submitted an email stating "I would like to withdraw my appeal. I am doing this on the basis I was offered to reapply after the appeal is withdrawn."

With Ms. Swartz' withdrawal of her November 17, 2016 request for hearing, this Docket No. 17-0011 is at an end.

Issued this 13th day of March, 2017, in Washington, D.C. Copies of this issuance shall

be served upon the parties and counsel by the Hearing Clerk, with courtesy copies to be sent by email where email addresses are available.



Channing D. Strother
Administrative Law Judge

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