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# Complaint investigation

Date of inspection: Feb 21, 2012

**Complaint #:** 166

License #: 33

license type: 44 - Public shelter

Name of business: Davidson Co Animal Shelter

Name of owner: Davidson Co Government

Street address: 490 Glendale Rd

City: Lexington

NC

ZIP code: 27292

County: Davidson

Phone Number: +1 (336) 357-0805

## Description of Complaint

COMPLAINT

According to information in a complaint made by a third party, reportedly obtained from a county employee:

1. Davidson County has a history of allowing untrained and uncertified individuals to use the AC facility and the Gas Chamber.

2. The county has not provided these individuals with any supervision or training.

3. The county failed to communicate the 52 J - NC Administrative Rules or the county's own policies and SOP manual to the various municipalities.

4. In addition, this employee's information indicates that for a long time, it has been the practice of the county to allow personnel from other municipalities to have access to the facility with permission to operate the Gas Chamber.

5. The employee further stated that the reason for this practice was to allow other municipalities to bring in and gas animals when the facility was closed.

The third-party complaint did not provide the name of the purported employee alleging the above actions to be true.



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## Results of Investigation

On Tuesday February 21, 2012 I visited the Davidson Co Animal Shelter and talked to the manager in reference to the compliant that was received by our section. The compliant letter indicated that an unnamed employee had alleged possible violations of the Animal Welfare Act had occurred at the shelter.

Because it was possible that someone may not want to be seen talking to me in public I left business cards with the manager and the employees at the shelter. I also left a Business card on a bulletin board.

As of Friday afternoon February 24, 2012 I have not received a call from anyone associated with the compliant.

The Director, Animal Welfare Section asked the third-party complainant to either name the employee or to have the employee contact the Director. No employee of the Davidson County Animal Shelter has contacted the Director as of this time. The third-party complainant has not provided the Director with the name of the purported employee making allegations

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