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Parish President

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JEFFERSON PARISH REQUESTS LOUISIANA SPCA TO REVIEW ANIMAL SHELTER POLICIES

At the request of the Jefferson Parish administration, the Louisiana SPCA (LA/SPCA) will conduct an independent audit investigating the allegations contained in emails that circulated on Friday, August 14, 2009 regarding the euthanasia of animals at the Jefferson Parish East Bank Animal Shelter.

The alleged actions of animal shelter workers and the Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter euthanasia procedure will be reviewed.

"As the largest and oldest animal welfare association, the LA/SPCA has the expertise to investigate these allegations and provide the citizens with the answers they are seeking," said Ana Zorilla, CEO of the LA/SPCA. "Our cruelty investigators are highly trained and committed to the highest standards of humane animal care."

The results of the audit will be available to the public upon its completion.

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