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Thru: **Prof. ROSA OPHELIA D. VELARDE**

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Dear Dr. Ceniza:

Warmest greetings!

This is to inform your respective office that the research project entitled: **Performance of Organically Grown Rabbits Fed Different Forages Supplemented with Varying Levels of Pelletized Concentrate Mixture** will conclude this June 2022. The project is expected to last one year. However, during the preliminary stages, we encountered some problems that were beyond our control, particularly with the procurement of materials, such as experimental animals (rabbits) and construction materials (cages and housing). As per the present project status, gathering of feed materials, cages, and house constructions were completed, and experimental animals are expected to arrive this month of July 2022. The delay arrival of experimental animals are because of the following reasons: late bidding result and minor difficulty of securing 48 heads of rabbits with the same age, sex and more or less weight.

In line with this, we respectfully request a 1-year extension (July 2022 – June 2023) from your good office for the following reasons: First, the framework of the project was originally meant to determine the growth performance of rabbits fed pelletized concentrate diet. Meanwhile, if an extension is granted, we intend to complement the project with a digestibility study of test diets. Once included in the project, the digestibility study will determine how nutritionally available the pelletized concentrate mixture is when fed to rabbits, validating and supporting the findings of our first study. Second, to complete and attain the objectives of the first research, along with digestibility study, we humbly request additional funding for the analyses and research assistant's salary.

We hope to complete the research project with your assistance and support. We appreciate your consideration and generosity in response to our request. More power.

Attached herewith the proposal for the extension of research.

Very truly yours,

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