



## **Product Storage and Handling Statement**

Since its founding, Gateway LabSupply has been committed to providing the highest level of service for the products it represents. As a Certified LabDiet Dealer, Purina conducts several inspections each year to continually hold ourselves to the highest standard. Our goal is to provide you with confidence in the integrity of our products used in your research.

### **Facility**

Gateway LabSupply operates out of a 17,000 sqft. facility in St. Louis, MO. The external brick walls sit on a concrete foundation, 3' below grade. The roof is gravel overlay on a steel frame and is insulated. Our internal dock facilities ensure loading and unloading of freight is unaffected by external conditions. The perimeter is kept free of any brush or accumulation and is monitored regularly.

### **Storage**

All inventory is rotated on a strict First In, First Out policy. Products are stored on 3-tier, steel pallet racking, and all floor-stocked items are palletized. Racking and product is kept 20" from external walls to provide ease of inspection and to avoid any potential added moisture. Most inventory turns over every 14 days; any items older than 6 months from date of manufacture are removed from availability.

Temperature and humidity are monitored and documented daily. Forced air heat maintains a minimum of 50°F throughout winter. Due to a concrete floor below grade, natural cooling provides summer temperatures that average 75°F. Humidity averages 50%. Documentation is available upon request.

Our cleaning and sanitation schedule is something we take seriously. Storage areas are swept daily and sanitized at least once per week to ensure the best storage conditions for your products.

### **Pest Control**

Professional pest control services are provided by PrestoX twice per month to ensure pest-free storage environment. Control stations are set every 20' along perimeter walls of warehouse. Written reports are filed each visit. Records are available upon request.

### **Delivery Vehicles**

Our delivery vehicles receive scheduled service to maintain reliable, safe delivery of product. Trucks are swept free of debris and sanitized after each use to prevent the possibility of contamination.