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Dr. Leonard Bull Named Chairman of NIAA

BOWLING GREEN, KY— Dr. Leonard Bull, professor of animal science and associate director of the Animal and Poultry Waste Management Center, North Carolina State University, was elected Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Institute for Animal Agriculture at the organization's annual meeting on April 1-3, in Indianapolis, Ind. NIAA's Board of Directors guides the organization's 232 members from the beef, dairy, swine, sheep, goat, equine and poultry industries. Membership includes national and state livestock, poultry and equine organizations as well as veterinarians, government regulatory personnel, academia, researchers, extension specialists, producers and allied industry businesses and organizations.



"Dr. Bull is a man of vision and integrity and a highly regarded industry leader who can see the big picture while remaining focused on today's challenges and needs," states Michele Vise-Brown, NIAA's Chief Executive Officer. "His knowledge of animal agriculture and administrative background coupled with his wide range of leadership roles are precisely what is needed to be chairman of NIAA's board of directors."

Prior to becoming board chair, Dr. Bull has served on NIAA's board of directors for the past three years and has been a member of the organization's executive committee for the past two years. He chaired NIAA's environmental committee and has served as co-chair of the long-range planning committee and chair and organizer of the 2007 NIAA's annual meeting one-day symposium titled "Impacts of Animal Production Safety Practices on the Food Supply".

In addition to being active in NIAA, Dr. Bull has had a variety of leadership roles within animal agriculture. Among them, he is a founding committee member and past president of the American Registry of Professional Animal Scientists, past president and CEO of the American Society of Animal Science and vice president of the World Association for Animal Production. To his credit are more than 200 published papers, abstracts, book chapters, symposium proceedings, printed presentations and other publications.

The National Institute for Animal Agriculture (NIAA) mission is to provide forums for building consensus and advancing solutions for animal agriculture and to provide continuing education and communication linkages to animal agriculture professionals. NIAA is dedicated to programs that work towards the eradication of animal diseases that pose risk to the health of animals, wildlife and

humans; promote a safe and wholesome food supply for our nation and abroad; and promote best practices in environmental stewardship, animal health and well being. NIAA members represent producers, veterinarians, scientists, state and federal officials, and business executives. More information is available at www.animalagriculture.org.

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