Dr. Duane Landals – 2017 Carl Block Award recipient

(Ottawa, Ontario) November 30, 2017 – Every year the Canadian Animal Health Coalition (CAHC) presents the Carl Block Award to an individual nominated by his or her peers for outstanding contributions in the field of livestock animal health. This award is in memory of Carl Block, who was chair of the CAHC when he passed away as the result of a small plane crash in May 2002.

The 2017 Carl Block Award Recipient is Dr. Duane Landals of Onoway, Alberta. For more than thirty-seven years, Dr. Landals has contributed significantly to veterinary medicine, both in Canada and internationally.

Dr. Landals’ leadership and organizational skills afforded him the opportunity to serve as CVMA President, Executive Member and Council Member for Alberta, as well as CVMA’s representative with CAHC for a number of years. He is currently on the Board of Directors of Veterinarians Without Borders, Chairman of the Registry of Approved Continuing Education (RACE) Committee of the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB), a member of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association Veterinary Pharmaceutical Stewardship Advisory Group (VPSAG) and the National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare Council Antimicrobial Use / Antimicrobial Resistance Working Group and past Chair of the Canadian Working Group on Compounding of Drugs and the Canadian Ad Hoc Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee. His credentials on the international level are equally impressive, serving two terms as Vice-President of the World Veterinary Association (2008-2014), and the Chair of the 29th World Veterinary Association Congress (Vancouver 2008).

Within Alberta, he spent over fifteen years as the Registrar, CEO and Treasurer of the Alberta Veterinary Medical Association, was a Board member of the Alberta Farm Animal Care Association for ten years and chaired the Alberta Strategic Action Committee on Antimicrobial Use in Animal Health. Dr. Landals was also the Owner/Manager of two multi-species veterinary practices for thirty-five years and owned a rural veterinary practice and a beef cattle and horse ranch for twenty-five years.

Considering that the primary criteria to receive the Carl Block Award is that recipients demonstrate leadership, commitment and passion for enhancing animal agriculture in Canada, the CAHC is honoured to have Dr. Duane Landals as the 2017 recipient.

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