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Worldcare Pet Receives Honor from the International Pet and Animal Transportation Association

November 14, 2012 – The International Pet and Animal Transportation Association (IPATA), the non-profit organization dedicated to the care and welfare of pets and animals during transport, presented the 2012 Millie Woolf Memorial Leadership Award to Don Uyeno of Worldcare Pet and Starwood Animal Transportation Services at the IPATA International Conference in Madrid.

The Millie Woolf Memorial Leadership Award was established to honor individuals that “give it their best” after Woolf, the founder and first president of IPATA, who passed away after a two and one-half year battle with bone marrow cancer in 2005.

“I’m honored to present this award to Don,” said Manuel Leunda, IPATA president. “Don has influenced many IPATA members and anyone who is lucky enough to work with him will benefit from his always positive attitude and positive influence. I can truly say that he has ‘given it his best’.”

Uyeno will receive $2,000 to conduct additional work to support animals, further his education or donate to other good works in memory of Millie Woolf. IPATA, with Air Animal, co-sponsor the annual award.

The IPATA International Conference is the world's largest gathering of pet shipping professionals. Attendees include animal handlers, pet moving providers, kennel operators, veterinarians and others who are dedicated to the care and welfare of pets during transport.

About IPATA
The International Pet and Animal Transportation Association, Inc. (IPATA) is a non-profit, worldwide trade association for animal handlers, pet moving providers, kennel operators, veterinarians and others who are dedicated to the care and welfare of pets and animals during transport. The organization was founded in 1979. It began with six founding members and now has more than 325 members in over 70 countries. IPATA serves its members, the pet transport industry, and the public at large. For more information, or to find a professional pet shipper, visit www.ipata.org.

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