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Midwest Poultry Federation Supports Poultry Industry Programs

St. Paul, MN – The Midwest Poultry Federation (MPF) recently continued its dedicated support of the Midwest Poultry Consortium (MPC) and its core programs - the Center of Excellence Scholarship/Internship Program (COE) and the Midwest Poultry Research Program (MPRP) - with a \$5,000 contribution for 2012.

“The Midwest Poultry Consortium is extremely grateful for the support MPF continues to show for the COE and MPRP,” said Beth Nelson, President of the Midwest Poultry Consortium. “These programs continue to benefit the industry and it is evident in the support MPF continues to show. MPF’s dedication to our mission to educate students and support poultry research is invaluable and demonstrates its commitment to the poultry industry.”

For 2012, the COE, which provides scholarships to students to earn up to 18 credits over the course of two summers for an emphasis in poultry science, awarded scholarships to 27 students, representing 10 of the 13 MPC member states. Additionally, a student coordinator from the Consortium works closely with each undergraduate to coordinate and arrange internship opportunities with member companies.

The MPRP has addressed some of the most critical research needs within the poultry industry. To date, it has funded over \$4.6 million worth of poultry projects focusing on everything from food safety to animal welfare.

“We continue to devote ourselves to revitalizing poultry science educational opportunities for students and to secure research funding which addresses the most critical needs within the poultry industry,” Nelson concluded. “Without the support from organizations like the Midwest Poultry Federation, this work would not be possible.”