

# CAST Publication Impacts Report

## RUMINANT CARCASS DISPOSAL OPTIONS FOR ROUTINE AND CATASTROPHIC MORTALITY

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### I. ROLLOUT/RELEASE

The Carcass Disposal series was presented by Dee Ellis, a *Ruminant Carcass Disposal* reviewer, at the U.S. Composting Council Conference in Houston, Texas on January 27, 2009. This Issue Paper was released live on the CAST website and rolled out in Phoenix, Arizona, at the 2009 Cattle Industry Convention and National Cattlemen's Beef Association Trade Show on January 29, 2009. Task Force Chair Dr. Marty Vanier, National Agricultural Biosecurity Center, and John Bonner traveled to Phoenix to make the presentations.

### II. DISTRIBUTION OF ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEWS RELEASES

|                                      | Approx. No. of Recipients |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Electronic Contacts</b>           |                           |
| Listservs                            |                           |
| Task Force Members                   | 13                        |
| Board/Staff                          | 46                        |
| Society Presidents                   | 36                        |
| Society Executives                   | 29                        |
| Friday Notes recipients              | 1505                      |
| Media                                | 595                       |
| News Information Groups              | 105                       |
| Deans of Agriculture                 | 78                        |
| Directors of Ag Experiment Stations  | 93                        |
| Total e-contacts as of March 3, 2009 | 2500                      |

### III. FOLLOW-ON ACTIVITIES/ PRESENTATIONS/NEWSPAPER ARTICLES/ TV & RADIO NEWS

**FIEN, LLC, Food Industry Environmental Network subscriber email newsletter, January 29, 2009.** The mass email included an announcement about CAST's newest paper (*Ruminant Carcass Disposal Options for Routine and Catastrophic Mortality*). The write-up included the CAST News Release and a direct link to the paper.

AgOnline, Iowa State University's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Electronic Newsletter, February 2, 2009. AgOnline featured a brief description of the new Issue Paper and a link to the CAST website.

**Feedstuffs, Weekly Agribusiness Newspaper, February 2, 2009.** Feedstuffs published a brief news release of the Issue Paper in the NewsWatch section. The article included information about the roll-out in Phoenix, Arizona and a link for readers to access the publication.

National Cattlemen's Beef Association & Natural Resources Conservation Service, Washington, D.C., March 11, 2009. Task Force Chair Nate Tablante along with John Bonner made a morning presentation about the carcass disposal series at the NCBA and another at the NRCS in the afternoon.

### IV. INTERNET AND WEBSITE CONNECTIONS

### Feedstuffs

http://www.feedstuffs.com/ME2/dirmod.asp?sid=F4D1A9DFCD974EAD8CD5205E15C1CB42&nm=Breaking+News&type=news&mod=News&mid=A3D60400B4204079A76C4B1B129CB433&tier=3&nid=8B91F611FFE54ECF8424DBD4B945BB74 (accessed 2/17/2009)

#### Meat International

http://www.meatinternational.com/news/food-safety/cast-new-issue-paper-on-ruminant-carcass-disposal-id972.html (accessed 2/20/2009)

### University of Illinois Extension

http://www.livestocktrail.uiuc.edu/manure/paperDisplay.cfm?ContentID=10041 (accessed 2/17/2009)

Feedback to CAST indicates that "Friday Notes" are further distributed by recipients, multiplying the total number of readers by as much as 10 or more times.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>+</sup> Total impact is dependent on the readership of those publications that choose to use CAST announcements.