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**James K. Drackley Receives
Nutrition Professionals, Inc. Applied Dairy Nutrition Award**

Savoy, IL — The American Dairy Science Association is proud to announce James K. Drackley of the University of Illinois as the 2007 recipient of the Nutrition Professionals, Inc. Applied Dairy Nutrition Award. The award was presented on Tuesday, July 10, 2007, during the awards ceremony at the ADSA Annual Meeting in San Antonio, Texas.

The Nutrition Professionals, Inc. Applied Dairy Nutrition Award was created to stimulate and recognize outstanding achievement in research, teaching, extension, or industry in applied dairy nutrition. The winner must have made significant contributions to the dairy industry in the area of applied dairy nutrition in one or more of areas such as applied nutrition research related to improved production efficiency, reproductive function, or herd health; integration of innovative nutritional management practices into profitable management systems; or education (including technology transfer and extension) and application of nutritional information to students, producers, and public. He or she must have made the contribution within ten years prior to the year of the award, and been a member of the American Dairy Science Association for at least five consecutive years.

The stature and impact of James Drackley's program is evident by his prolific record of publication, authorship of a seminal text, invitations to speak at prestigious conferences, ability to attract research funding, and being the recipient of numerous university and national awards. Drackley's productive and innovative research program has examined nutrition and metabolism of periparturient cows and nutritional requirements of calves. His research has led the dairy industry to implement the feeding of high-fiber diets to dry cows and accelerated growth programs for replacement heifers. It is truly exceptional that he has achieved international prominence in two distinct areas of expertise.

It is with great pleasure that ADSA and Nutrition Professionals Inc. present James K. Drackley with the 2007 Nutrition Professionals, Inc. Applied Dairy Nutrition Award.

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