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International Pedigree Stage Stop Sled Dog Race Adds Veterinarian
Rhonda Aliah of Idaho Falls joins staff for 2011 event

Jackson, Wyoming – date – The International Pedigree Stage Stop Sled Dog Race (IPSSSDR) has added Rhonda Aliah to its veterinary staff, announced race director Frank Teasley. Aliah will be part of the four-person IPSSSDR team of veterinarians who accompany this year's race, January 29 – February 5, 2011.

"With the race roster expanding to 25 teams this year, we felt it was necessary to increase the number of vets on the race," Teasley said. "Rhonda has worked on the Iditarod, plus she has helped out with the IPSSSDR pre-race exams for a number of years—she's a terrific addition to our staff."

Aliah lives in Idaho Falls where she is a small animal/zoo veterinarian. She has served as the veterinarian for the Tautphaus Park Zoo in Idaho Falls since 1990.

Known as the "dog friendly" race, the IPSSSDR is a stage-stop format race stopping in towns each night to rest the teams. A staff of veterinarians travel with the race to monitor the care of the dogs.

Pedigree® Food for Dogs is the title sponsor of the IPSSSDR. The Pedigree® brand actively supports a wide range of programs that promote responsible pet ownership and highlight the contributions dogs make to society.

The International Pedigree Stage Stop Sled Dog Race was founded in 1996 by Frank Teasley to make sled dog racing more accessible to the public. For more information, visit the race website at www.wyomingstagestop.org; contact the race via e-mail at bark@wyomingstagestop.org or telephone at (307) 734-1163.

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