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**DR. KEITH A. ROEHR HONORED WITH K-STATE ALUMNI RECOGNITION AWARD AT WESTERN VETERINARY CONFERENCE**

MANHATTAN, KAN. – Dr. Keith A. Roehr, Broomfield, Colorado, has been selected by the Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine and its Veterinary Medical Alumni Association to receive a 2018 Alumni Recognition Award. The award was presented March 5 at the Western Veterinary Conference in Las Vegas and is in recognition of his career in veterinary medicine and for having served as an exemplary role model for future alumni in a professional and community setting.

Dr. Roehr has served as the state veterinarian for Colorado Department of Agriculture since 2009. He received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from Kansas State University in 1981. From there, he spent more than 14 years fine-tuning his skills in private practice in Philipsburg, St. Maarten (Caribbean); Monte Vista, Colorado; Lufkin, Texas; and Broomfield, Colorado, before shifting his career focus to regulatory medicine.

“One of my greatest investments in life has been my DVM degree,” Dr. Roehr said. “I have had many opportunities to apply my animal health experience into a variety of issues that benefit both veterinary and human health.”

“The college takes great pride in presenting this award to Dr. Roehr,” said Dr. Bonnie Rush, interim dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine. “His service in private practice, regulatory medicine, and emergency management shows great dedication to the profession and commitment to protecting animal health, animal agriculture and human health. He is an excellent role model for students contemplating careers in public health and food animal medicine.”

Dr. Roehr was a staff veterinarian for Colorado’s Division of Animal Industry from 1995 to 2002 and the assistant state veterinarian until 2009. In 2013, Dr. Roehr was named Veterinarian of the Year by the Colorado Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA). He is the past chair of the Committee on Animal Emergency Management with the United States Animal Health

Association, the past president for the Western States Livestock Health Association, the National Assembly of State Animal Health Officials and the Colorado Pet Overpopulation Authority.

Dr. Roehr has been a member of the National Institute for Animal Agriculture, American Veterinary Medical Association, the CVMA, National Animal Health Laboratory Network Coordinating Council, Institute for Infectious Animal Diseases, Colorado State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory (board member), Colorado Cattlemen's Association and Colorado Livestock Association.

Dr. Roehr and his wife Patty have four children: Christine, Brett, Anna and Mark.

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