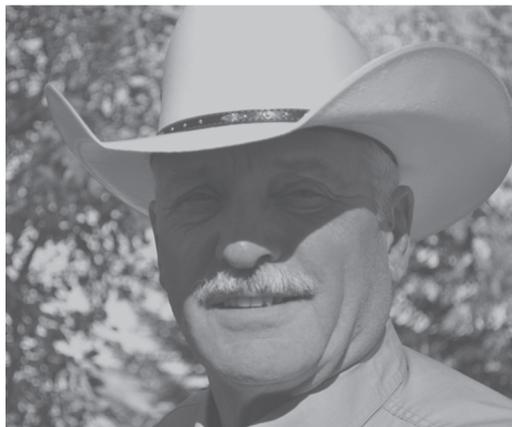


# 2012 RECIPIENT

## IETS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD



Dr. Larry Delver graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College in 1961 and engaged in mixed practice and ranch management in Western Canada until 1969, when he was hired by the Chicago Union Stockyards to work with their herd of Charolais imported from France. He first became aware of embryo transfer at that time while working in the Bahamas with those cattle. He then returned to Alberta as the farm manager for a cattle importing company and then set up an insurance adjusting company dealing with livestock claims, at the same time again engaging in mixed practice.

At that time he spent some time at the Western College of Veterinary Medicine catching up on advances that had occurred while he was in the Caribbean and also took an ET course from Reuben Mapletoft. In 1984 Dr. Delver joined the Health of Animals Branch of Agriculture Canada and specialized in import/export for the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, which led him to travel throughout the world. In 1995 he was given the AI and ET file by Dr. Brian Evans (currently chief food safety officer and chief veterinary officer for Canada) and began participating in the International Embryo Movement committee, eventually taking over from Dr. Brian Evans as chair of the HASAC Regulatory subcommittee, where he has remained ever since, even after retiring from Agriculture Canada.

Dr. Larry Delver's dedication to the IETS has never failed. He has been selflessly working for HASAC, and the IETS has benefited from his wide experience in the field of import/export of gametes and embryos. He has been dealing with issues regarding the regulatory aspects of ET, while also being a cattle breeder and chair of the Cattle Industry Council of Alberta Beef Producers, thus always keeping at heart the practical interests of practitioners and breeders as well as understanding the national or even worldwide consequences of any change in regulatory laws. As a person, Dr. Delver has always been very accessible and friendly and a great colleague to work with within HASAC and the IETS.