



**2008 Beef Improvement Federation**  
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## NEWS RELEASE

### Dale Kelly Honored for Service

CALGARY, Alberta (July 2, 2008) – The Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) honored Dale Kelly with its Continuing Service Award on July 2nd during the organization's 40<sup>th</sup> annual meeting held in Calgary, Alberta, hosted by the Canadian Beef Breeds Council.

The Award recognizes individuals who have made a major contribution to the Beef Improvement Federation.

Dale Kelly currently holds the title of Vice-President of the Agricultural, Biotechnology and Food Division of Saskatchewan Research Council and is well known in the beef industry, primarily through his management role in Canadian breed associations; Charolais, Limousin and Simmental. Dale has more than 25 years of business experience in the agri-food industry including six years as CEO of AgraPoint International Inc.

In 1999 Dale completed the Canadian Agriculture Lifetime Leadership Program, an 18-month national program offered through the University of Saskatchewan that encouraged close teamwork to enhance leadership skills, agricultural business, agriculture policy and understanding of global agricultural issues.

Dale is presently completing the Directors College program offered at McMaster University in partnership with the Conference Board of Canada – the gold standard in board governance. He has worked with all levels of government – municipal, provincial and federal – on a wide variety of agricultural issues and projects including international work in the United States, Australia, Mexico, UK, Ireland, and France.

He is the immediate Past-President of the Agricultural Institute of Canada; a past director of the Canadian Consulting Agrologist Association; and is a member of Rotary International, the Nova Scotia, Alberta and Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists and Toastmaster International where he has earned the designation of Distinguished Toastmaster. He has been active in the Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce where as a director he chaired the Agricultural Sub-committee and co-chair of the Kings County Economic Summit. He is also was Chairman of the Innovations Council, an initiative of the Kings County Centre for Economic Development.

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