

DEKALB Completes China Breeding Project

DE KALB, IL — DEKALB Swine Breeders, Inc. announces the successful completion of a breeding project with the People's Republic of China. The project is scheduled to produce in excess of 1 million market hogs per year once the program reaches maturity.

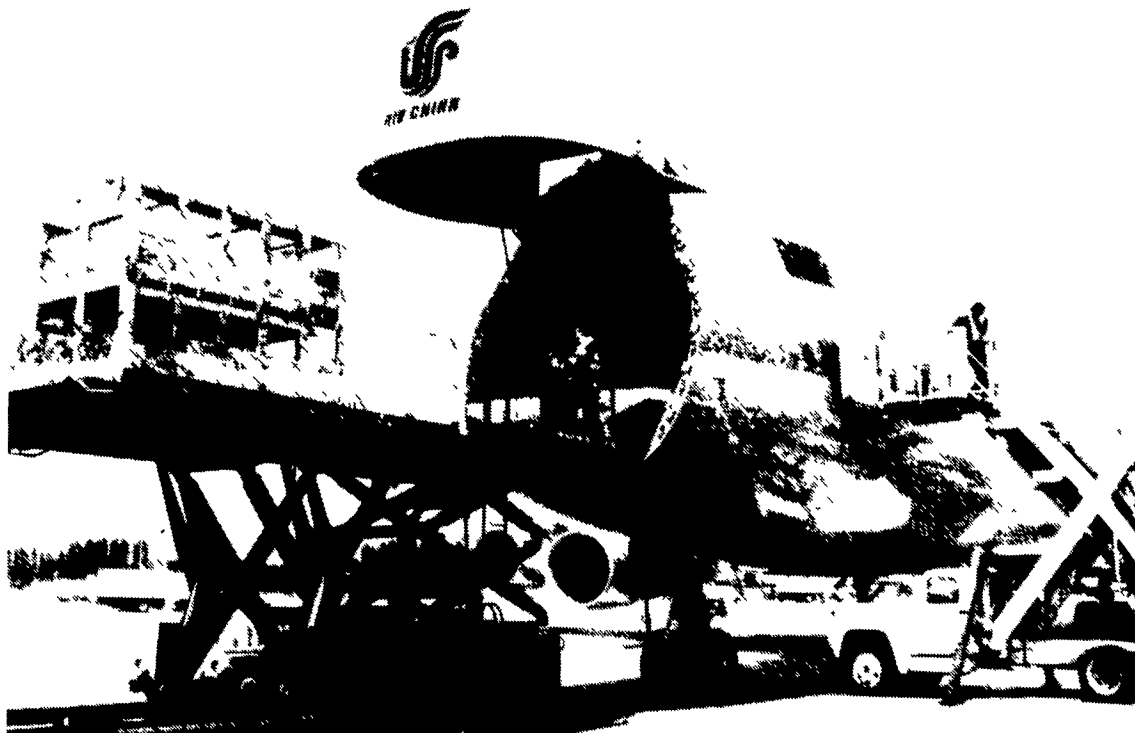
After two years of dedicated preparation, breeding stock was shipped from DEKALB'S research and development farms on May 2, 1991 and arrived in Beijing, China on May 6, 1991. All of the animals arrived in excellent condition despite the four-day journey.

During the preparation process, the breeding stock successfully passed the rigorous health requirements needed for swine importation into China. Dennis Kahle, international operations manager and Steven Hao, far-eastern projects manager, both of DEKALB,

worked closely with representatives of the government of China to complete the agreement and shipment of the animals.

In addition to the sale of breeding stock, DEKALB Swine Breeders, Inc. will provide swine production expertise at the farm site near Beijing. Chinese representatives from the farm project will participate in swine production training at DEKALB'S Swine Management Training Center near Plains, Kan. Students will receive both classroom and actual swine management experience on DEKALB'S Foundation Farms near Plains, Kan.

China's per capita consumption of all meat is about one third of U.S. levels, despite its production of nearly 40 percent of the world's pork. To increase per capita consumption, the Chinese government plans to significantly expand the production of high quality lean pork within the next 15 years.



DEKALB breeding stock loaded through the nose of an Air China 747 in San Francisco, Calif.

Eastern Regional Shorthorn Show Set

WOODBINE, Md. — Classes at the Md. Eastern Regional Shorthorn Show set for Sat. June 29 include steers and showmanship for junior members, female breeding classes for junior and adult breeders, and bull classes for adult breeders.

Entries have steadily climbed since the first show. Entries are coming from Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, and Kentucky. The show is becoming recognized as one of the premier

shorthorn shows on the East Coast.

This year's show is being dedicated to George Bowman for his vision and interest in promoting the shorthorn breed.

Dr. Wayne Neely will be recognized as Maryland's nomination for Shorthorn Builder of the Breed. This is an annual recognition announced in July to recognize contributions of shorthorn enthusiasts around the country who contributed to the promotion

and advancement of the breed.

Neely is a recognized authority on the history of the breed, its contributions to American agriculture, and the resurgence of interest in the breed around the country.

The Maryland Shorthorn Association sponsors the Eastern Regional Shorthorn Show at the Howard Co. Fairgrounds. Officers of the association are Martin Hamilton, president; Sue Eyster, vice-president; Marjie Eyster, secretary and Ray Ediger, treasurer. The

board of directors include Duane Harper, Kippy Hevner, David Bowman, Michael Buck, Carl Holland, and Terry Sewell. The association sponsors an annual calf sale in October, the Eastern Regional, a Steer Incentive Program to encourage juniors to raise

shorthorn steers, and a trophy program for county fairs to recognize shorthorn steers and heifers. Current membership numbers in excess of 90 members.

Further information on Builder of the Breed can be obtained from Patti Kantor, (402) 393-7200.

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