

**Animal Incident Report
to the U.S. Department of Transportation
Pursuant to 14 CFR § 234.13**

Reporting Period: June 1-30, 2011

REDACTED

July 15, 2011

TOTAL ANIMALS SHPPED DURING REPORTING PERIOD:	10,435
TOTAL REPORTABLE INCIDENTS DURING PERIOD:	2
% OF REPORTABLE INCIDENTS TO ANIMALS HANDLED:	0.02%

INCIDENT #1:

CO flight #4 New Orleans to Houston
June 18, 2011

Dog–Dogue De Bordeaux (French Mastiff)/age 2 yrs
Male / Name: "Duke"

Owner/Guardian

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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

Description of the Incident:

Dog was loaded in New Orleans without incident along with a second customer's pet in the same compartment. Upon arrival in Houston (1 hour later), Duke was in obvious distress and was quickly transported from the aircraft to the kennel area for assistance but died prior to being able to reach an Emergency Veterinary clinic.

Description of the Cause of the Incident:

According to the necropsy report performed by the Texas State Laboratory at Texas A&M University, by a Board Certified Veterinary Pathologist ... states that there were pre-existing conditions of pneumonitis and hypertrophic cardiomyopathy. The pneumonitis being equivalent to pneumonia .. an inflammation of the lung tissue; and the hypertrophic cardiomyopathy the pre-existing cardiac disease often found in the Giant breeds of dogs.

Description of any corrective action taken:

None as the cause of death was clearly a preexisting condition and not related to Continental Airlines' handling.

INCIDENT #2:

CO flight #12 Honolulu to Los Angeles
June 25, 2011

Cat – Dom short hair - Male /age approx 5 yrs
Male / Name: "Koohi"

Owner/Guardian

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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

Description of the Incident:

Koohi was on his way to the aircraft in Honolulu when he managed to escape his crate. It was zip tied but he still was able to push the door out enough to squeeze through the top. Koohi was found 3 days later lying deceased on airport property.

Description of the Cause of the Incident:

Koohi escaped his crate and was loose within the secure area of the Honolulu Airport for three days while several people searched for him. Reward posters and live traps were used but despite our efforts, he was found deceased on airport property on day 3. A necropsy was performed and the cause of death could not be determined. The Veterinarian in charge believes that he could've perished from dehydration and heat exhaustion.

Description of any corrective action taken:

Honolulu Vendor company was put on warning and their accepting agent was disciplined regarding the proper placement of our mandatory zip ties.

Live Animal Incident Report (Redacted)

Cargo Incident Report	
Type:	Injury
Date of Incident:	June 27, 2011
Location:	Salt Lake City, UT
Routing:	San Jose, CA (SJC) – Salt Lake City, UT (SLC) Flight – DL 1284
AWB:	006- 06108701
Description of Animal:	5yr old male Golden Retriever, weighing approximately 70lbs, named "Hubbell"
Description of Incident:	<p>Hubbell and his travel companion, JJ were accepted for transport on DL1284 on June 27, 2011 at our cargo facility in SJC. All documents were reviewed and processed in accordance with Delta's live animal procedures. Flight 1284 departed SJC approximately eleven minutes behind its scheduled departure time of 13:05. Weather temperature at SJC was 69F. DL1284 arrived into SLC on-time and the temperature was approximately 87F with partly cloudy skies. Both animals were unloaded and delivered to the warehouse for retrieval by their owner. While in the warehouse, agents observed blood at the back of the kennel. Attempts were made to contact the owner. We soon discovered she traveled to SLC on board the same flight. Once the owner arrived to the warehouse, she removed Hubbell from his kennel and advised the blood was coming from his front left paw. The owner determined Hubbell was fine and stated he was a "hyper" dog, who was a first time flyer. Hubbell and JJ were released to their owner.</p>
Cause of Incident:	Self inflicted wound
Corrective Action Taken:	None Warranted

Live Animal Incident Report

Cargo Incident Report	
Type:	Death
Date of Incident:	June 24, 2011
Location:	Atlanta, Georgia
Routing:	Pittsburg, PA (PIT) – Atlanta, GA (ATL) – Phoenix, AZ (PHX); Flight 344
AWB:	006-05682832
Consignee/Owner/Guardian:	Mr. Lee Hughes 44B Bethany Drive Pittsburgh, PA 15215 (412) 841-3613
Description of Animal:	11yr old female, domesticated short hair feline named "Phoebe"
Description of Incident:	Delta Cargo accepted two domestic shorthaired cats on June 24, 2011, for transport from PIT via ATL to PHX. All documents were reviewed and processed in accordance with Delta's live animal procedures. Phoebe and her companion, Newman, were loaded on board DL 344, which departed PIT at approximately 15:11. At the time of departure, the temperature in PIT was approximately 66F. The flight arrived into ATL ten minutes behind its scheduled arrival time of 16:32. Upon unloading, the ramp crew noticed that one cat was lying down in its kennel and was unresponsive. Both cats were immediately delivered to our temperature-controlled animal holding room and their owner was contacted. The remaining cat, Newman continued its journey to PHX and arrived without incident.
Cause of Incident:	A necropsy was performed by the Athens Diagnostic Laboratory College of Veterinary Medicine. The doctor's comments regarding the cause of death were the microscopic findings are characteristic of chronic heart failure secondary to myocardial fibrosis of an undetermined etiology.
Corrective Action Taken:	None Warranted
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Live Animal Incident Report (Redacted)

Cargo Incident Report	
Type:	Death
Date of Incident:	June 11, 2011
Location:	Moscow, Russia
Routing:	St, Louis, MO (STL) – Atlanta, GA (ATL) - New York, NY (JFK) – Moscow, Russia (SVO) Flight 30
AWB:	006-05780622
Description of Animal:	8 month old, male chinchilla
Description of Incident:	<p>A chinchilla was accepted June 9, 2011, in STL for travel on board DL 1423 to ATL. All documents were reviewed and processed in accordance with Delta's live animal procedures. Flight 1423 from STL to ATL was delayed by 44 minutes due to late arriving inbound equipment. The weather forecast revealed partly cloudy skies with temperatures of 88F to 89F. Once the animal was unloaded in ATL, it was immediately delivered to our temperature-controlled animal holding room to await the departure of flight 122 from ATL to JFK. Flight 122 pushed back from the gate at 19:09. The temperature in ATL was approximately 82F. On arrival at JFK, the chinchilla was again delivered to a temperature-controlled animal holding room where it remained until the following day, with temperatures in the 70's. On June 10, 2011, agents at JFK visually inspected the animal and provided food and water. Agents stated the animal was in good condition and showed no signs of distress or illness. Approximately 30 minutes prior to the flight's scheduled departure time of 16:55, JFK agents delivered the animal to the aircraft for departure to SVO on board DL 30. Upon arrival into SVO the next day, the animal was pronounced deceased by the local Veterinary Authorities. Our ramp crew at SVO was instructed to return to animal to JFK because entry was prohibited.</p>
Cause of Incident:	Howard Beach Animal Clinic in New York performed the necropsy. The doctor's comments were "to the best of our knowledge cause of death was due to a septic

	gastroenteritis or acute heart failure from stress.
Corrective Action Taken:	None Warranted