

Delta Air Lines
Live Animal Incident Report - REDACTED
Reporting Period: October 1, 2008 –October 31, 2008

Carrier

Delta Air Lines

Flight Number

Flight # DL1231/15 – CHS/ATL

Flight # DL034/15 – ATL/JNB

Date and Time of Incident

October 15, 2008 – Approximately 0800

Type of Incident

Deceased

Description of Animal

Breed: Domestic Short Hair Cat

Age: 9 years

Description of the Incident

On October 14, 2008, the shipper appeared at the Charleston, SC (CHS) airport expecting to transport three cats as checked baggage to Johannesburg, South Africa (JNB). Because this international destination does not accept pets as checked baggage, the shipper was escorted to the CHS Cargo facility where he was assisted with booking the cats to travel as cargo. Due to last minute booking arrangements, the three cats had to overnigh in CHS. They were scheduled to travel the following morning from CHS to ATL via DL1231. On the morning of October 15th at approximately 0200 Sylvia's kennel was cleaned. All three cats were provided food and water and they appeared to be in good condition. At approximately 0800, the CHS Cargo supervisor announced Sylvia had expired. The shipper was immediately notified and he provided written and verbal permission for a necropsy to be conducted at the nearest veterinary hospital. Two remaining cats arrived in JNB as scheduled without incident. Due to the long term relationship enjoyed by Sylvia and her owners, Delta arranged for Sylvia's cremation and the remains were shipped to JNB.

Cause of the Incident

A necropsy was performed at Delta's expense by Dorchester Veterinary Clinic. According to the necropsy report, "Sylvia most likely passed due to untreated thyroid and renal disease. The degree of dehydration noted on the necropsy indicates a chronic rather than acute onset."

Corrective Action Taken

An immediate investigation was conducted. Results of the investigation determined the cats were properly cared for. No corrective actions were warranted.

Incident 1

Carrier: Horizon Air
Flight: 2318 (LAX/FLG)
Date of incident: October 22, 2008
Time of incident: Approximately 11:15 P.M. PT

Description of animal (including name): A male cat. (Unknown: breed, or age of cat)

Narrative description of incident: Upon arrival into Flagstaff, AZ. it was discovered that the cat's kennel was broken and the cat had scratches on his nose.

Narrative description of the cause of the incident: The airline is researching where this incident took place and how this happened. It was not discovered until they arrived in Flagstaff, AZ. The cat and owner flew from Fairbanks, AK to Los Angeles, CA. and then on to Flagstaff, AZ with a stop in Prescott, AZ.

Narrative description of any corrective action taken in response to the incident:
Additional training of personnel in Prescott, AZ and Flagstaff, AZ on what actions need to be taken upon discovery of kennel damage and incidents involving animals.

No photographs available

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**Animal Incident Report
To the U.S. Department of Transportation
Pursuant to 14 CFR 234.13
Submitted by United Airlines
Reporting Period: October 1, 2008 – October 31, 2008
Total submitted incidents – 1**

United Flight: 87 LAX/HNL

Date: October 13, 2008

Animal: Bradley – English Bulldog

Narrative Description:

Description of incident:

Bradley was traveling with owners and was discovered deceased upon arrival of aircraft. No signs of distress on the animal and kennel was intact.

Description of cause of the incident:

Autopsy was performed and it was determined death was due to natural causes.

Description of any corrective action taken:

None