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Dear Colleague:

Since 1976, Tri-State Bird Rescue & Research, Inc. has worked continually to deliver its mission of achieving excellence in providing effective and humane care for oiled wildlife. Through research, hard work, and extensive experience, we have become one of the top oiled wildlife responders in the world.

Tri-State remains on call and ready to respond 24/7/365 to wildlife affected by oil spills or other contaminants. We provide a rapid and safe response within the Incident Command System to ensure that oiled wildlife receives professional treatment and its best chance of returning to its natural environment. Our history of participating in more than 150 emergency responses in over 25 states and 9 countries—caring for birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and crustaceans—gives Tri-State a wealth of experience and knowledge.

Preparedness is a significant factor in response readiness and includes contingency planning, exercises, and workshops to help our industry colleagues understand the role of the Wildlife Branch during a response. Since 1990, Tri-State has presented over 200 customized oiled wildlife workshops and has participated in over 75 exercises. Tri-State has also created over a dozen wildlife contingency plans for state wildlife trustee agencies, the U.S. Coast Guard, and industry clients.

We are grateful that our industry colleagues have demonstrated the vision to support Tri-State over the years, and we have recently developed a **Corporate Wildlife Partnership** program, which provides vital support to keep Tri-State prepared to respond to oiled wildlife locally, nationally, and internationally. With this program, you have the flexibility to support us through a fee-based payment or a tax-deductible contribution.

All levels of **Corporate Wildlife Partnership** support will receive recognition on our web site. At higher levels, your company may receive benefits that include special pricing consideration for incident response, automatic sponsorship for our annual Benefit for the Birds, and waived fees for a one-day workshop or drill/exercise.

Please review the enclosed information to determine the level of support that best suits your company. If you have any questions about this program, please do not hesitate to contact us. We welcome your input so that we can tailor the benefits to your needs and interests.

Sincerely,

Lisa Smith
Executive Director

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Corporate Wildlife Partnership Levels

Platinum

\$75,000 total annual support

- All benefits of Gold level, with Benefit for the Birds sponsorship increased to the \$15,000 level
- One complimentary one-day workshop or drill in the lower 48 states per year

Gold

\$50,000 total annual support

- All benefits of Silver level
- Automatic sponsorship at the \$7,500 level for our annual Benefit for the Birds and all perks associated with the sponsorship
- Free Tri-State presentation at our facility or yours (within a three-hour driving radius of Newark, DE)
- Special pricing consideration for incident response

Silver

\$25,000 total annual support

- All benefits of Bronze level
- Dedicated press release highlighting the company's contribution
- Use of Tri-State's conference area for an offsite, internal company meeting once a year
- One-day workshop or drill fee waived per year (personnel and travel costs still apply)

Bronze

\$10,000 total annual support

- Logo and link on Tri-State's web site
- Recognition in Tri-State's annual report
- Recognition at all Tri-State annual events
- Individual recognition once a year in a Tri-State e-mail blast to our constituents
- One free presentation and tour each year at our Newark, DE, facility

Partners contributing less than \$10,000 will be listed on Tri-State's web site and recognized in our annual report.

Considerations:

The total annual support may be a tax-deductible donation, an annual fee built into the operating budget and invoiced by Tri-State, or a combination of both. Benefits at the Gold and Platinum levels can be adjusted to meet the needs of each company if there is a specific service or sponsorship desired for a particular year.

Saving Wildlife Together





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