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Delta Dental of Iowa Receives A- (Excellent) with a Stable Outlook Rating

Johnston, IA, (June 14, 2011) -- Delta Dental of Iowa has received a financial strength rating of A- (Excellent) with a stable outlook from A.M. Best Company, Inc., a leading worldwide insurance rating and information agency. This is the seventh consecutive year the non-profit, dental benefits provider has received the A- (Excellent) rating with a stable outlook.

The report states that Delta Dental of Iowa has maintained strong capitalization over the last five years. The stable rating reflects its strong capitalization, leading market share in the state of Iowa, and retaining 95 percent of its customers.

“We are pleased that A.M. Best continues to independently recognize Delta Dental of Iowa’s core strengths in providing a strong dental network, while controlling administrative costs and delivering exceptional service to Iowa employers and their employees,” said Donn Hutchins, Delta Dental of Iowa president and CEO.

Founded in 1899, A.M. Best is a global full-service credit rating organization dedicated to serving the financial and health care service industries, including insurance companies, banks, hospitals and health care system providers. For more information, visit www.ambest.com.

Delta Dental of Iowa is the largest and most experienced provider of dental benefits in the state. As a not-for-profit, Delta Dental of Iowa invests in oral health projects through the Delta Dental of Iowa Foundation that focus on access to care, prevention, education and research. Delta Dental of Iowa is a member of the Delta Dental Plans Association, a national organization of not-for-profit Delta Dental member companies. The national association is the largest dental benefits carrier in the nation providing coverage to 54 million people in more than 93,600 employer groups.

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