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Marion Zoological: The Industry Innovator

1984 • Creators of the first "Leaf Eater Food" for primates. Developer of the first of high fiber low carbohydrate foods for primates. • Creators of high fiber foods for primates with interesting shapes and colors that alleviate feeding boredom. • Creators of food standards for high fiber animal foods that include plant proteins and all natural human grade ingredients. Creators of human grade manufacturing processes that create palatable food. 1989 First to add iron, copper, and iodine from safe all natural sources. • First to add calcium from low iron sources. First to add heat resistant vitamins. First to calculate, predict and confirm vitamin degradation curves • Creators of the "Leaf Eater Brand" for Panda. 1990 • Creators of preservative-free foods with Vitamin C and mixed tocopherols. • First to study the requirements for total life cycle foods for primates and panda. Marion Leaf Eater selected for inclusion in the "Species Survival Guide" for Red Panda. 1991 Contributors to peer reviewed scientific literature based upon long-term studies of leaf eating primates. • First scientific research and long term studies published. • First presentation to the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquaria. (Available on web site.) • First to use stabilized vitamin C for long shelf life. 1996 Creators of the "Mozaic Food" for reptiles. Presented on-going nutritional studies to five international nutrition conferences. 1998 Creators of the "Giant Panda Food" which has raised Giant Pandas in captivity worldwide. Presented on-going nutritional studies to five international nutrition conferences. 2003 First to include OMEGA Fatty Acids for improved immune response in exotic animals.

• Created foraging foods, treats, and enrichment programs for giraffe, elephant, anteaters,

ground hogs, kangaroos and bears.