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**AARON BURMEISTER FIRST TO CRIPPLE- WINS GCI DOROTHY PAGE
HALFWAY AWARD**

Anchorage, Alaska - Wednesday, March 5, 2014 - IDITAROD XLII Veteran Musher Aaron Burmeister (Bib # 23) of Nome, Alaska, was the first to arrive at the Cripple Checkpoint at 3:26pm Alaska Time with 13 dogs.

Eric Endell, Retail Store Specialist for GCI, from Palmer, Alaska, was on hand at the Cripple Checkpoint to present the **GCI Dorothy Page Halfway Award** to Burmeister. He was awarded a trophy plus \$3,000 in placer gold nuggets, courtesy of Iditarod Principal Partner GCI.

The **GCI Dorothy Page Halfway Award** will be presented again to Burmeister in Nome on Sunday, March 16th, during the Iditarod Awards Banquet at the Nome Recreation Center.

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