

**BMI HONORS CARRIE UNDERWOOD WITH MILLION-AIR AWARDS**

***'Mama's Song,' 'Good Girl' and 'All-American Girl'***

***Brings Country Star's Catalog to 13 Million Air Plays***

**NASHVILLE, August 22, 2013** – Broadcast Music, Inc.®, (BMI®), a global leader in music rights management, honored country superstar **Carrie Underwood** with multiple BMI "Million-Air" Awards at a recent reception at the Country Music Hall of Fame. BMI’s Associate Director of Writer/Publisher Relations Leslie Roberts joined Underwood onstage to present the certificates, honoring the prolific performance records of songs "Mama's Song" and "Good Girl," with one million performances each, and "All-American Girl," with a staggering two million to date.

“With a catalog boasting more than 13 million performances, Carrie has become one of the most successful songwriters in country music today,” said BMI’s Vice President of Writer/Publisher Relations Jody Williams. “We at BMI could not be more proud and are excited to celebrate these continued incredible achievements with her," said Williams.

The BMI “Million-Air” Award is given to songwriters, composers and publishers whose songs accumulate over one million U.S. broadcast performances. The designation has been bestowed upon many of BMI’s iconic songwriters, including **Sir Paul McCartney**, **Dolly Parton**, **Isaac Hayes** and **Roy Orbison**. The acknowledgement is a mark of respect and praise. The three tracks honored at the reception alone, played back-to-back, would total nearly 23 years of continuous play, indicative of Underwood's impressive accomplishments.

BMI Nashville presented the last BMI “Million-Air” Awards earlier this year to songwriter Scotty Emerick to recognize hits such as “I Love This Bar,” “Beer for My Horses,” “As Good As I Once Was” and “Big Blue Note,” all of which were recorded by superstar Toby Keith.

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