SCIENTIFIC NOTE

DISTRIBUTION OF THE CARRION BEETLE *OICEOPTOMA NOVEBORACENSE* (Förster) (COLEOPTERA: SILPHIDAE) IN COLORADO, U.S.A.

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*Oiceoptoma noveboracense* (Förster, 1771) is a common and distinctive carrion beetle in the eastern United States and Canada, reported from the Atlantic coast westward to Texas, Kansas, Nebraska, and Alberta (Anderson and Peck 1985; Peck and Kaulbars 1987; Lingafelter 1995; Ratcliffe 1996). In Nebraska, it has a statewide distribution, including Chase and Dundy counties, which border Colorado’s Phillips and Yuma Counties (Ratcliffe 1996). *Oiceoptoma noveboracense* has not previously been reported from Colorado.

I compiled the following records of both adults and larvae of *O. noveboracense* in Colorado from museum specimens and my own collections (Fig. 1). “PMI” indicates post-mortem interval, or time since death, of the host carrion, when reported as a part of carrion succession studies.

**Adults. COLORADO:***

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**Fig. 1.** Distribution of *Oiceoptoma noveboracense* in Colorado.