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MINNESOTA AGRI-GROWTH COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE WRAP-UP EVENT SCHEDULED

ST. PAUL, Minn. (May 8, 2008) – Find out what really happened around food and agriculture issues during the recent state legislative session at the Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Legislative Wrap-Up Event, June 3, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel St. Paul – Riverfront. The Council is a nonpartisan advocacy organization for Minnesota's vast agriculture and food industry.

More than 50 food and agricultural industry stakeholders will attend the Legislative Wrap-Up Event, featuring a panel of political experts that will discuss the legislative session's major accomplishments and missed opportunities for Minnesota food and agriculture.

This year's panelists include:

- Senate Majority Whip Dan Skogen, DFL-Wadena, Vice Chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee and member of the Agriculture and Veterans Committee
- Sen. Ellen Anderson, DFL-St.Paul, Chair of the Finance – Environment, Energy and Natural Resources Budget Division (invited)
- Rep. Al Junke, DFL-Willmar, Chair of the Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs Finance Division (invited)
- Jerry Schoenfeld, lobbyist for the Minnesota Soybean Growers, Minnesota Biodiesel Council, Minnesota Pork Producers and other organizations

Minnesota Agri-Growth President Daryn McBeth and Lobbyist Cory Bennett will facilitate the program and panel discussion.

Registration begins at 11:30 a.m., with the program and lunch to follow at 12 p.m. The event will end by 1:45 p.m. The program fee is \$40 for members and \$45 for non-members.

To register or learn about sponsorship opportunities, contact Nikki Deyle at 651-905-8900 or nikki.deyle@agrigrrowth.org.

The Minnesota Agri-Growth Council (www.agrigrrowth.org) is an advocate for the state's food and agriculture industry. Founded in 1968, the Council is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that represents the shared interests of its 200-plus members, which include food and agriculture businesses, organizations and producers, as well as the service industries that support them.

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