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AGRI-GROWTH COUNCIL ANNOUNCES BOARD ELECTIONS FOR 2011

Minnesota Agri-Growth Council membership voted to re-elect eight of its directors.

ST. PAUL, Minn. (November 12, 2010) – The Minnesota Agri-Growth Council, a nonpartisan advocacy organization for Minnesota’s vast agriculture and food industry re-elected eight directors to its 24-member board. The directors were re-elected during Agri-Growth’s Annual Members meeting on November 4 held at the Minneapolis Convention Center.

The re-elected directors include:

- Paul DeBriyn, President and CEO, AgStar Financial Services
- Randy Doyal, CEO, Al-Corn Clean Fuel
- Roger Gilland, Owner, Gilland Feedlot, Inc.
- Jerry Larson, Owner, Larson Farms
- Pat Lunemann, Partner and General Manager, Twin Eagle Dairy; and President Minnesota Milk Producers Association
- Tom Rosen, President and CEO, Rosen’s Diversified, Inc.
- Michael Swanson, Ph.D., Chief Agricultural Economist, Wells Fargo
- Jim Winter, Vice President of North American Agri-business, Ecolab

The 24-member board governs the Council, representing the diversity of Minnesota’s food and agriculture industry, including ex-officio representation from leadership at the Minnesota Department of Agriculture and the University of Minnesota College of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resource Sciences.

The Minnesota Agri-Growth Council board of directors for 2011 is as follows:

Joe Swedberg	Hormel Foods	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Chair
Kristin Weeks Duncanson	Duncanson Growers	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Vice Chair
Paul DeBriyn	AgStar Financial Services	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Immediate Past Chair
Jim Bareksten	CHS Inc	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Secretary
Mike Zumwinkle	Cargill	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Treasurer
Al Anderson	Retired	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Jack Bernens	Syngenta Seeds, Inc.	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Mark Davis	Davisco Foods	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Randy Doyal	Al-Corn Clean Fuel	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Meg Freking	New Fashion Pork	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Tim Gerlach	Minnesota Corn Growers Association	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Roger Gilland	Gilland Feedlots Inc.	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Mike Helgeson	Gold’n Plump Poultry	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Gene Hugoson	Department of Ag	Ex-officio, Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Steve Krikava	Land O’Lakes	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Jerry Larson	Larson Farms	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Dr. Allen Levine	University of Minnesota – Dean of CFANS	Ex-officio. Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director

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Pat Lunemann	MN Milk Producers Association and Twin Eagle Dairy	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Adolph Ojard	Duluth Seaway Port Authority	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Bill Reilly	Schwan's Food Company	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Tom Rosen	Rosen's Diversified	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Nick Sinner	Red River Valley Sugarbeet Growers Association	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Dr. Michael Swanson	Wells Fargo	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director
Jim Winter	Ecolab	Minnesota Agri-Growth Council Director

The Minnesota Agri-Growth Council (www.agrigrowth.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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