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Ellen Bergfeld, Madison, WI. Dr. Bergfeld is the CEO of the American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America, Soil Science Society of America, and the Alliance of Crop, Soil and Environmental Societies. She also serves as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Agronomic Science Foundation. Previously, she served as the Executive Director of the American Society of Animal Science. She received her B.S. from the Ohio State University and her M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Nebraska.

Leon Bruner, Arlington, VA. Dr. Bruner is currently Senior Vice President for Scientific & Regulatory Affairs and Chief Science Officer at the Grocery Manufacturer's Association (GMA) in Washington, DC. The Science and Regulatory Affairs organization carries out member services on science policy, product safety, education, and food safety. He is internationally recognized as an expert in the development, validation and regulatory acceptance of toxicity test methods. Dr. Bruner holds B.S., DVM degrees and a Ph.D. in pharmacology from Michigan State University.

Daniel R. Bush, Ft. Collins, CO. Dr. Bush is professor of plant biology and the Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs at Colorado State University. His research focuses on how plants allocate organic nutrients between organs and the discovery of genes that control biomass production. He is a past president of the American Society of Plant Biologists (ASPB) and past Chair of Section O, Agriculture, Food and Renewable Resources for the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). He is a Fellow of the ASPB and AAAS. He earned his PhD at the University of California at Berkeley.

William Fisher, Washington, DC. Mr. Fisher is the Vice President of Science and Policy Initiatives with the Institute of Food Technologists. Prior to his present position, he gained extensive experience in the food industry where his experience spanned most facets of executive management and global business development. He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from the University of Illinois.

Barbara P. Glenn, Washington, DC. Dr. Glenn is CEO for the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture. She previously served as Vice President, Science and Regulatory Affairs, at CropLife America, as Managing Director of Animal Biotechnology at the Biotechnology Industry Organization, as Executive Vice President-Scientific Liaison for the Federation of Animal Science Societies, and as Research Dairy Scientist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service in Beltsville, MD. Barb received her Ph.D. in Ruminant Nutrition and Bachelor of Science in Animal Science from the University of Kentucky.

James (Jim) Gulliford, Ames, IA. Mr. Gulliford is Executive Director of the Soil and Water Conservation Society. Previously, he served as EPA Assistant Administrator for the Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances and as Director of the Department of Soil Conservation (later the Division of Soil Conservation) for the State of Iowa. He holds B.S. degree in Forestry Management and a M.S. degree in Forestry Economics and Marketing, from Iowa State University.

Ferd Hoefner, Washington, DC. Mr. Hoefner is the Policy Director of the National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition, representing NSAC in the Nation's Capital since its beginning in 1988. His work for

NSAC, a coalition of over 100 farm, food, conservation, rural development, and research organizations, has included numerous successful agricultural research and extension policy campaigns. He holds a B.S. degree in government from Oberlin College and has done graduate work in economics, ethics, and public policy at American University and Wesley Theological Seminary.

Edward A. Hiler, Runaway Bay, TX. Dr. Hiler is a member of the National Academy of Engineering and is a fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He is former Vice Chancellor for Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University and is currently serving on the board of an international machinery company. He earned his B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees at The Ohio State University.

Marlyn L. Jorgensen, Garrison, IA. Mr. Jorgensen is an active soybean and corn producer and is involved in the management of a food processing company. He is a former president of the American Soybean Association and a former member of the Advisory Board for the Dean of Agriculture at Iowa State University and of the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture's Advisory Committee on Research, Economics and Education. He earned a B.S. degree from Iowa State University.

Lowell W. Randel, Alexandria, VA. Mr. Randel is president of The Randel Group, LLC and Science Policy Director for the Federation of Animal Science Societies. He is the former Deputy Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and also served as Director of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs for the Research, Education and Economics Mission Area at USDA. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Economics and a Master's Degree in Agricultural Development, both from Texas A&M University. He also received a Juris Doctorate from George Mason University .

Richard L. Ridgway, Flower Mound, TX . Dr. Ridgway is a former research leader and national program leader for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service and former member of the graduate faculty at Texas A&M University . He currently is managing partner for cotton and grain sorghum farms in Terry County, Texas and a member of the Chancellor's Council at Texas Tech University. He received a B.S. degree from Texas Tech and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Cornell University .

Wendy Wintersteen, Ames, Iowa. Endowed Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and Director, Iowa Agriculture and Home Economics Experiment Station, Iowa State University. Dr. Wintersteen represents Iowa State University on many boards of agricultural organizations in Iowa, the Midwest and around the country. She serves on the board of trustees for the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology and for the Farm Foundation. She earned a bachelor's degree in agriculture from Kansas State University and her Ph.D. in entomology at Iowa State University.